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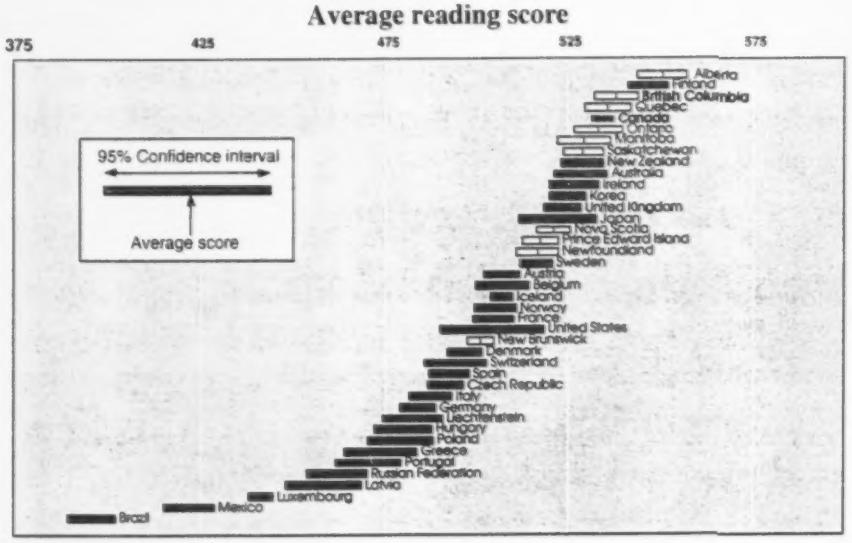
Earnings and Employment Trends - MAY 2002

The Performance of BC Youth in Reading, Math and Science

So often in Canada the public perception is that our high school graduates are not up to scratch with the rest of the developed world. This month the results of a satisfaction survey of parents, students and teachers regarding the BC education system were released. Parents of secondary school students re-enforced this public perception. While not actually damning the education system, they did not come out with particularly glowing reports. Two-thirds of parents were satisfied with their child's overall learning accomplishments. Among reading, writing and math, reading skills received the best grade of 64 per cent being satisfied "all of the time" or "many times". That number fell off to 57 per cent for writing skills and 52 per cent for math skills.

Contrary to this less than positive public perception, Canada's education system does very well in international comparisons of the academic skills of its students. The OECD "Programme for International Student Assessment, 2000" (PISA) tested 15 year old students in 31 countries in the areas of reading, mathematics and science. Canadian students performed very well in all three areas, ranking 2nd to Finland in Reading, and 5th in both Math and Science. Canada was among only a very few countries that ranked near the top in all three subjects.

Canada rates near the top of the world in Reading, Mathematics and Science



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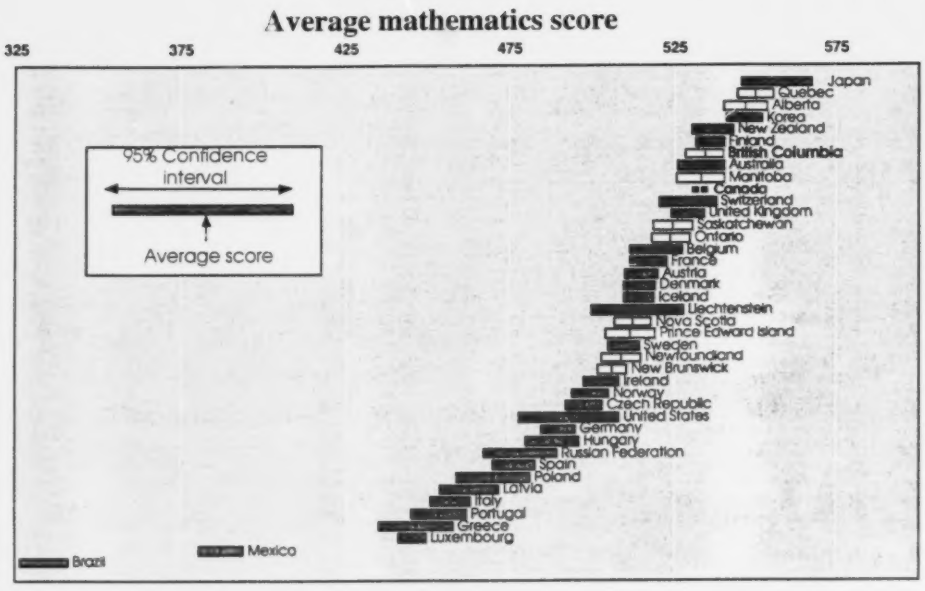

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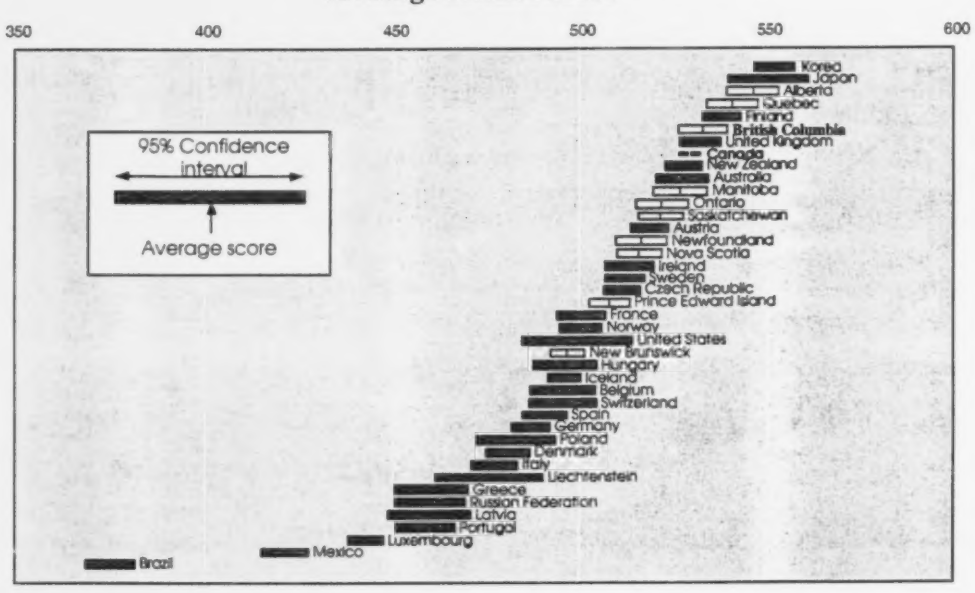

The three charts show not only Canada's position among 31 OECD countries, but also the provinces' rankings compared to these international standards. In all three skills, BC is above the Canadian average and positioned near the top among all countries. Of particular interest is how Alberta shines in all three subject matters and Quebec does very well in all three but particularly in Math where they are almost on a par with Japanese students. While BC students performed very well in these tests, there may be lessons to learn from the education structures of Alberta and Quebec.

There is further detail and analysis on the results of this international study at www.pisa.qc.ca.

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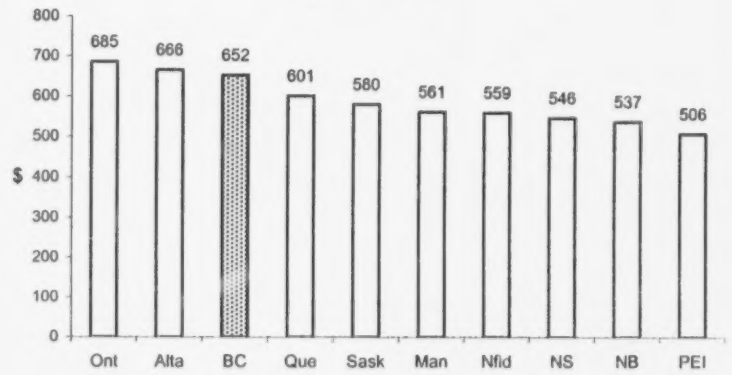
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - May 2002

by Province



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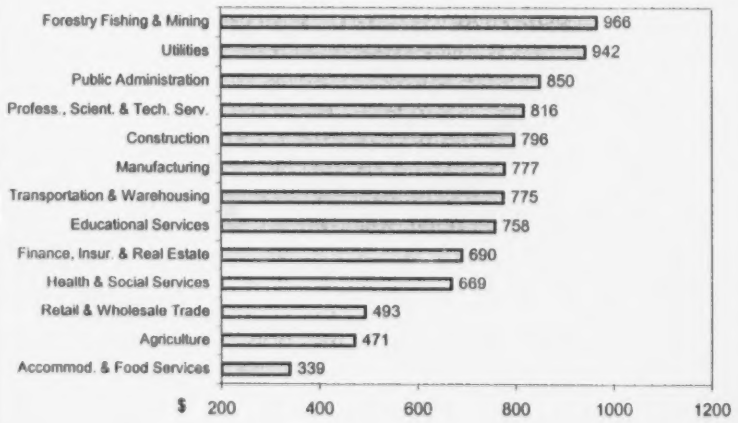
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Public Administration 850
Profess., Scient. & Tech. Serv. 816
Construction 796
Manufacturing 777
Transportation & Warehousing 775
Educational Services 758
Finance, Insur. & Real Estate 690
Health & Social Services 669
Retail & Wholesale Trade 493
Agriculture 471
Accommod. & Food Services 339
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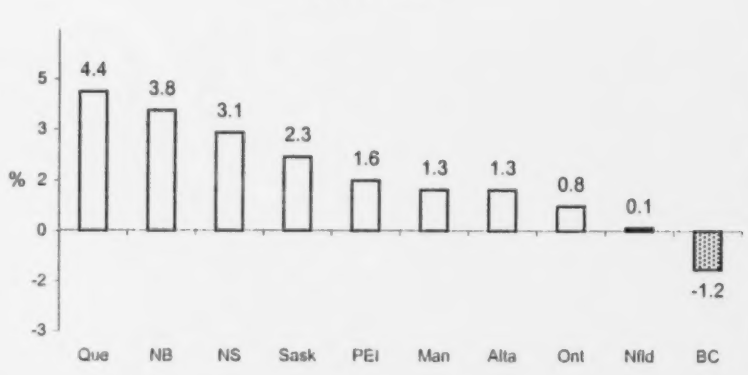
** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - May 2002

by Province



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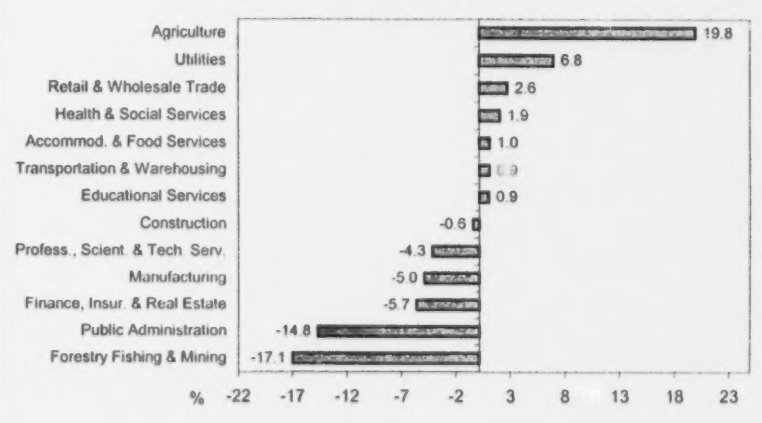
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Utilities 6.8
Retail & Wholesale Trade 2.6
Health & Social Services 1.9
Accommod. & Food Services 1.0
Transportation & Warehousing
Educational Services 0.9
Construction -0.6
Profess., Scient. & Tech. Serv. -4.3
Manufacturing -5.0
Finance, Insur. & Real Estate -5.7
Public Administration -14.8
Forestry Fishing & Mining -17.1
% -22 -17 -12 -7 -2 3 8 13 18 23

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1992	2.7	1.5	3.0			2.7			-0.3	3.0	-0.7	0.7	10.2	11.2	7.5
	1993	3.5	1.8	3.0			2.8			-0.2	3.4	0.8	1.5	9.7	11.4	6.9
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.2			-0.6	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.1			0.2	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	1.3	1.4	4.1	1.0	0.4	2.5	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	1.1	2.7	3.3	0.0	0.9	1.1	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	1.3	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	3.3	-0.3	0.6	0.5	-0.3	1.1	-0.1	7.7	7.2	4.8
2001	Jan	2.9	3.0	3.7	2.0	3.0	2.3	-0.8	0.0	-1.4	0.2	1.9	0.7	7.2	6.9	4.2
	Feb	1.1	2.9	3.5	2.7	3.8	3.4	1.6	0.9	-0.1	0.1	1.5	0.5	7.2	6.9	4.2
	Mar	0.9	2.5	2.9	3.1	3.9	3.7	2.2	1.4	0.8	1.4	1.4	0.6	6.6	7.0	4.3
	Apr	2.3	3.6	3.3	2.3	3.7	2.6	0.0	0.1	-0.7	1.0	1.5	-0.1	7.0	7.0	4.5
	May	2.5	3.9	3.6	2.2	3.8	3.5	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	1.2	1.4	0.2	6.9	7.0	4.4
	Jun	2.7	3.3	3.2	2.8	3.8	3.6	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.3	-0.2	7.2	7.1	4.6
	Jul	1.8	2.6	2.7	0.4	2.9	3.6	-1.4	0.3	0.8	1.0	1.3	0.2	7.4	7.1	4.6
	Aug	1.8	2.8	2.7	-0.1	2.7	3.6	-1.8	-0.1	0.8	-0.8	1.0	-0.5	8.0	7.3	4.9
	Sep	2.1	2.6	2.6	-0.4	2.5	4.0	-2.4	-0.2	1.3	-1.2	0.8	-0.1	7.8	7.2	5.0
	Oct	1.1	1.9	2.1	-0.7	2.3	1.8	-1.8	0.4	-0.3	-2.2	0.7	-0.6	8.4	7.4	5.4
	Nov	0.3	0.7	1.9	1.2	2.5	2.9	0.8	1.8	1.0	-2.1	0.5	-1.0	8.7	7.6	5.6
	Dec	0.4	0.7	1.6	0.9	3.2	4.6	0.4	2.5	3.0	-3.1	0.1	-1.3	9.7	8.0	5.8
2002	Jan	0.8	1.3	1.1	2.4	3.1	2.9	1.6	1.7	1.7	-0.2	0.7	-1.8	8.9	7.9	5.6
	Feb	2.9	1.5	1.1	2.0	2.8	3.5	-0.9	1.3	2.4	-1.1	0.9	-1.0	8.8	7.9	5.5
	Mar	2.9	1.8	1.5	2.0	2.7	3.1	-0.8	0.9	1.6	-1.6	1.3	-1.4	9.0	7.7	5.7
	Apr	2.3	1.7	1.6	2.7	2.5	2.7	0.4	0.8	1.1	-0.2	1.4	-1.1	8.7	7.6	6.0
	May				3.2	2.4					-1.3	1.6		9.5	7.7	
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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																						
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1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89	1.4	618.35	1.3	573.15	2.2	508.24	1.4	515.55	1.4	611.13	1.1	555.93	1.4	496.06	1.7	494.60	3.1	446.17	1.3	490.40	-0.5
1999	595.62	2.7	625.22	1.1	593.60	3.6	524.90	3.3	530.97	3.0	633.05	3.6	565.83	1.8	504.70	1.7	503.35	1.8	462.02	3.6	495.79	1.1
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2001 Jan	625.00	3.0	640.63	2.0	633.84	3.1	558.20	4.8	567.17	4.3	665.46	3.6	586.01	1.1	548.73	5.3	537.89	5.1	489.76	4.3	534.35	7.2
Feb	627.72	3.8	643.13	2.7	645.40	5.9	563.92	5.3	558.40	2.5	669.37	4.5	586.21	1.8	542.90	3.4	536.09	5.9	485.53	3.2	537.14	5.1
Mar	630.47	3.9	650.17	3.1	641.01	5.5	561.30	5.4	560.84	3.7	673.42	4.5	588.37	2.3	543.55	2.1	540.95	6.0	486.84	5.2	534.66	5.3
Apr	634.96	3.7	650.42	2.3	644.94	5.3	571.29	6.7	563.64	4.7	678.43	4.1	594.43	2.5	540.09	0.5	544.12	4.7	488.49	3.9	549.49	7.0
May	635.08	3.8	649.78	2.2	649.07	6.1	571.53	6.1	560.66	4.5	679.90	3.9	595.17	3.6	530.91	-0.7	532.33	2.1	491.77	3.6	548.90	5.5
Jun	634.36	3.8	649.40	2.8	649.85	7.0	574.52	6.0	560.74	3.5	677.03	3.0	596.77	4.3	528.99	0.4	539.13	3.4	490.06	2.6	557.63	6.9
Jul	631.21	2.9	638.50	0.4	652.26	6.8	573.31	4.7	556.82	1.1	675.21	2.5	593.64	3.2	532.25	1.5	540.48	4.2	486.60	4.2	542.89	5.2
Aug	636.27	2.7	642.30	-0.1	651.33	6.0	572.88	4.2	563.61	2.7	681.30	2.6	600.68	2.8	528.95	-0.4	548.04	5.2	492.92	6.0	547.33	3.4
Sep	639.50	2.5	645.68	-0.4	651.25	5.9	577.17	4.4	557.42	-0.2	688.16	2.6	599.70	2.3	536.87	0.6	551.22	4.8	506.11	7.7	559.97	2.6
Oct	637.02	2.3	643.68	-0.7	662.23	5.9	579.30	5.0	552.42	-1.9	681.45	2.8	597.80	2.2	533.41	-1.3	540.24	2.8	514.00	8.5	568.97	3.5
Nov	638.14	2.5	650.84	1.2	661.63	6.1	579.25	4.5	555.28	-1.8	681.85	2.7	596.83	2.1	533.40	-0.5	538.94	1.3	515.14	6.9	567.56	5.1
Dec	641.35	3.2	643.66	0.9	669.75	6.3	582.56	4.7	554.94	-1.5	685.20	3.3	604.25	4.4	537.28	-1.0	540.69	0.6	510.84	6.0	549.20	3.9
2002 Jan	644.11	3.1	656.05	2.4	662.97	4.6	583.46	4.5	562.28	-0.9	689.28	3.6	602.61	2.8	538.83	-1.8	544.99	1.3	513.39	4.8	556.22	4.1
Feb	645.24	2.8	656.21	2.0	674.86	4.6	582.74	3.3	562.23	0.7	689.61	3.0	601.53	2.6	538.69	-0.8	547.91	2.2	504.46	3.9	553.20	3.0
Mar	647.71	2.7	663.44	2.0	682.08	6.4	581.70	3.6	566.56	1.0	691.17	2.6	601.71	2.3	543.06	-0.1	545.25	0.8	507.40	4.2	560.35	4.8
Apr	650.90	2.5	668.06	2.7	681.75	5.7	585.01	2.4	569.59	1.1	693.21	2.2	607.40	2.2	546.77	1.2	552.38	1.5	519.74	6.4	567.78	3.3
May	650.33	2.4	670.27	3.2	686.17	5.7	585.49	2.4	569.65	1.6	689.99	1.5	607.85	2.1	543.23	2.3	560.22	5.2	516.87	5.1	575.39	4.8
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Average:																						
Jan-May01	630.65		646.83		642.85		565.25		562.14		673.32		590.04		541.24		538.28		488.48		540.91	
Jan-May02	647.66		662.81		677.57		583.68		566.06		690.65		604.22		542.12		550.15		512.37		562.59	
% Change	2.7		2.5		5.4		3.3		0.7		2.6		2.4		0.2		2.2		4.9		4.0	

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
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1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75	1.2	17.10	1.4	15.14	2.6	13.71	1.6	14.00	1.4	16.45	0.9	15.45	1.0	13.09	1.6	13.20	2.6	11.92	1.2	12.98	-0.8
1999	16.14	2.5	17.26	0.9	15.75	4.0	14.17	3.4	14.44	3.1	16.98	3.2	15.70	1.6	13.30	1.6	13.41	1.6	12.23	2.6	13.02	0.3
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2001 Jan	17.06	2.8	17.78	1.7	16.72	2.0	15.06	3.3	15.78	5.9	17.95	3.3	16.50	1.8	14.54	4.2	14.69	6.6	13.49	5.6	14.20	5.5
Feb	17.13	3.6	17.80	2.2	16.85	3.6	15.26	4.4	15.50	4.1	18.09	4.3	16.54	2.9	14.56	4.0	14.57	5.7	13.52	4.5	14.35	3.5
Mar	17.16	3.6	18.00	2.3	16.83	3.8	15.19	4.5	15.50	5.0	18.11	4.1	16.53	3.0	14.44	2.5	14.58	5.3	13.41	5.0	14.43	4.2
Apr	17.26	3.4	18.04	2.1	17.14	4.8	15.46	5.9	15.55	5.6	18.18	3.4	16.63	2.7	14.40	1.8	14.60	4.4	13.40	5.2	14.52	5.1
May	17.19	3.9	18.09	3.2	17.08	5.6	15.34	5.6	15.23	4.5	18.13	3.5	16.63	4.5	13.99	0.3	14.22	1.9	12.99	4.9	14.20	4.1
Jun	17.09	3.8	17.99	2.9	16.97	5.8	15.34	5.8	15.18	3.6	18.03	3.0	16.56	5.1	13.82	1.2	14.24	2.7	12.75	2.9	14.13	4.7
Jul	16.89	3.2	17.68	1.8	16.89	5.6	15.18	4.3	14.84	1.5	17.92	2.9	16.25	4.0	13.80	2.1	14.17	3.1	12.56	3.3	13.62	4.3
Aug	16.95	2.7	17.59	0.6	16.81	5.2	15.15	3.6	15.01	3.0	17.99	2.6	16.41	3.1	13.76	1.0	14.27	3.9	12.62	4.9	13.89	3.9
Sep	17.28	2.8	17.95	1.0	17.13	5.3	15.47	4.8	15.13	-0.1	18.33	2.8	16.72	2.8	14.10	0.9	14.63	4.5	13.10	6.4	14.47	4.6
Oct	17.30	2.7	18.01	1.1	17.41	5.6	15.56	4.4	15.04	-2.0	18.28	3.0	16.70	2.5	14.09	-0.6	14.52	3.3	13.48	6.1	14.83	5.6
Nov	17.38	3.1	18.16	2.3	17.41	6.2	15.66	4.2	15.22	-1.7	18.38	3.4	16.73	2.8	14.22	0.2	14.55	2.3	13.80	6.3	14.77	6.1
Dec	17.47	3.4	18.07	2.3	17.60	6.5	15.66	3.8	15.29	-1.7	18.49	3.6	16.87	3.8	14.38	-0.2	14.44	0.8	13.88	6.0	14.52	3.8
2002 Jan	17.61	3.2	18.33	3.1	17.61	5.3	15.76	4.6	15.42	-2.3	18.61	3.7	16.98	2.9	14.49	-0.3	14.76	0.5	14.18	5.1	14.90	4.9
Feb	17.66	3.1	18.46	3.7	17.78	5.5	15.81	3.6	15.51	0.1	18.66	3.2	16.92	2.3	14.55	-0.1	14.82	1.7	13.97	3.3	14.87	3.6
Mar	17.69	3.1	18.50	2.8	18.09	7.5	15.90	4.7	15.62	0.8	18.62	2.8	16.94	2.5	14.58	1.0	14.66	0.5	14.04	4.7	15.02	4.1
Apr	17.73	2.7	18.60	3.1	18.13	5.8	15.90	2.8	15.65	0.6	18.61	2.4	17.07	2.6	14.57	1.2	14.76	1.1	14.00	4.5	15.03	3.5
May	17.61	2.4	18.58	2.7	17.96	5.2	15.82	3.1	15.63	2.6	18.48	1.9	16.97	2.0	14.32	2.4	14.67	3.2	13.53	4.2	14.85	4.6
Jun																						
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Average:																						
Jan-May01	17.16		17.94		16.92		15.26		15.51		18.09		16.57		14.39		14.53		13.36		14.34	
Jan-May02	17.66		18.49		17.91		15.84		15.57		18.60		16.98		14.50		14.73		13.94		14.93	
% Change	2.9		3.1		5.8		3.8		0.3		2.8		2.5		0.8		1.4		4.4		4.1	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1992	12,760.0		1,620.3		1,284.1		448.5		502.2		4,948.9		3,041.5		297.1		370.4		53.5		193.5	
1993	12,857.5	0.8	1,675.9	3.4	1,294.8	0.8	450.8	0.5	506.5	0.9	4,973.8	0.5	3,039.9	-0.1	301.5	1.5	367.9	-0.7	54.4	1.7	191.9	-0.8
1994	13,111.7	2.0	1,754.0	4.7	1,331.6	2.8	455.7	1.1	509.5	0.6	5,039.2	1.3	3,100.6	2.0	300.2	-0.4	373.3	1.5	55.4	1.8	192.2	0.2
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2001 Jan	14,680.1	2.0	1,900.6	0.2	1,591.2	3.0	470.0	-0.9	545.1	1.5	5,851.5	3.2	3,349.8	1.0	320.9	3.2	400.8	-0.5	59.1	1.2	190.9	1.3
Feb	14,726.8	1.5	1,925.9	0.1	1,603.4	2.7	463.9	-2.8	546.9	1.3	5,836.8	2.3	3,378.5	1.2	313.2	0.7	406.9	1.4	60.4	2.7	191.1	1.2
Mar	14,764.0	1.5	1,947.6	1.6	1,597.5	1.8	466.8	-2.4	548.2	0.9	5,848.8	2.1	3,387.0	1.2	309.4	-0.6	404.6	-0.4	61.1	2.3	193.1	1.6
Apr	14,865.5	1.6	1,936.1	1.0	1,606.8	2.8	465.4	-2.6	549.1	-0.3	5,913.6	2.5	3,409.4	1.1	318.0	0.5	408.0	-0.4	60.7	-0.3	198.3	3.0
May	15,226.4	1.4	1,986.4	1.3	1,648.6	2.8	475.0	-4.3	561.6	0.2	6,029.7	2.4	3,481.4	0.2	336.4	0.2	421.8	-0.6	69.1	0.4	216.3	5.2
Jun	15,391.1	1.2	1,984.8	0.2	1,670.3	3.7	481.5	-3.2	565.7	-0.2	6,059.4	2.0	3,547.0	0.3	350.2	0.2	433.4	0.0	72.6	3.1	226.5	5.3
Jul	15,455.8	1.2	1,981.3	1.2	1,659.6	3.8	487.1	-2.3	562.7	-0.2	6,072.9	1.3	3,588.9	0.7	353.0	-1.1	444.9	1.2	72.2	2.4	233.2	3.9
Aug	15,423.3	1.0	1,962.9	-0.9	1,656.7	3.2	490.5	-0.4	562.5	-0.9	6,086.2	1.2	3,566.1	1.1	356.9	-1.0	440.8	1.4	72.1	2.1	228.4	4.6
Sep	15,167.2	0.8	1,944.1	-1.2	1,642.3	2.8	474.2	-2.6	563.8	0.3	5,950.3	0.8	3,528.6	1.5	345.6	-0.9	429.7	1.8	69.0	0.9	219.7	2.7
Oct	15,147.5	0.7	1,923.4	-2.2	1,638.6	2.6	469.9	-3.3	565.4	1.4	5,964.4	0.4	3,523.1	2.2	344.1	0.0	434.4	3.1	67.4	2.6	216.8	3.3
Nov	15,082.9	0.5	1,915.7	-2.0	1,637.2	2.2	464.6	-3.4	562.4	1.8	5,980.9	0.2	3,481.0	1.7	335.8	-0.5	428.6	2.8	64.1	5.1	212.6	2.3
Dec	14,990.4	0.1	1,899.6	-3.1	1,632.7	1.8	459.2	-3.1	560.9	1.7	5,958.3	0.2	3,453.6	0.9	329.8	-0.3	425.2	0.6	62.4	1.8	208.7	4.6
2002 Jan	14,796.7	0.8	1,899.6	-0.1	1,627.3	2.3	458.7	-2.4	553.7	1.6	5,863.3	0.2	3,407.5	1.7	321.4	0.2	410.0	2.3	59.7	1.0	195.5	2.4
Feb	14,860.2	0.9	1,903.7	-1.2	1,623.3	1.2	464.9	0.2	551.2	0.8	5,892.5	1.0	3,441.1	1.9	321.7	2.7	406.4	-0.1	60.6	0.3	194.8	1.9
Mar	14,980.1	1.5	1,920.6	-1.4	1,639.3	2.6	465.7	-0.2	559.6	2.1	5,914.1	1.1	3,483.6	2.9	326.8	5.6	410.1	1.4	61.5	0.7	198.8	3.0
Apr	15,095.1	1.5	1,938.1	0.1	1,631.6	1.5	464.3	-0.2	557.0	1.4	5,953.9	0.7	3,534.7	3.7	331.3	4.2	415.5	1.8	64.0	5.4	204.7	3.2
May	15,469.0	1.6	1,961.8	-1.2	1,670.0	1.3	486.1	2.3	568.9	1.3	6,076.7	0.8	3,634.6	4.4	349.2	3.8	434.9	3.1	70.2	1.6	216.5	0.1
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Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-May01	14,852.6		1,939.3		1,609.5		468.2		550.2		5,896.1		3,401.2		319.6		408.4		62.1		197.9	
Jan-May02	15,040.2		1,924.8		1,638.3		467.9		558.1		5,940.1		3,500.3		330.1		415.4		63.2		202.1	
% Change	1.3		-0.8		1.8		-0.1		1.4		0.7		2.9		3.3		1.7		1.8		2.1	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992	33.3		33.0		34.7		34.9		33.2		33.3		32.6		33.9		33.4		33.8		33.1	
1993	33.8	1.5	33.2	0.6	34.9	0.6	35.1	0.6	33.7	1.5	33.9	1.8	33.2	1.8	34.3	1.2	33.6	0.6	33.8	0.0	32.8	-0.9
1994	34.2	1.2	33.2	0.0	35.6	2.0	35.6	1.4	34.1	1.2	34.3	1.2	33.9	2.1	35.0	2.0	34.0	1.2	34.7	2.7	33.2	1.2
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2001 Jan	34.6	0.9	33.3	0.6	36.0	2.9	34.2	2.1	34.1	0.6	35.2	1.1	34.0	0.0	35.3	2.0	33.6	-0.6	34.5	3.0	34.8	4.8
Feb	34.6	0.3	33.3	0.0	36.1	2.3	33.9	-2.0	33.8	-1.5	35.2	0.6	33.9	-1.2	34.6	0.0	33.9	0.6	32.9	-1.2	33.1	-1.2
Mar	33.9	0.0	33.7	0.9	37.0	2.5	34.9	0.0	34.3	-2.3	32.9	-0.3	34.1	-1.7	34.8	-1.4	32.1	2.2	33.0	1.5	34.1	0.9
Apr	32.9	-6.5	31.0	-9.1	33.9	-5.6	32.4	-9.2	33.3	-4.9	34.0	-4.5	31.5	-9.2	33.2	-6.7	33.1	-4.6	32.5	-6.1	31.5	-8.2
May	35.3	-0.8	33.1	-1.8	36.6	-0.3	37.7	-2.3	35.6	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	34.5	-1.1	35.8	-1.6	35.7	0.8	37.5	-1.8	36.5	0.6
Jun	35.4	-0.8	33.3	-2.1	36.9	1.4	36.5	0.8	35.4	0.6	35.7	-1.1	34.7	-1.4	36.6	-0.5	36.2	0.3	37.7	-2.3	38.0	0.8
Jul	31.1	-4.3	31.1	-4.6	34.1	1.5	33.0	0.3	31.7	-4.5	32.8	0.3	26.0	-15.9	33.2	-2.1	32.3	-3.9	35.4	-0.6	34.2	-0.6
Aug	32.2	-1.8	30.0	-5.4	34.5	1.2	34.6	0.6	32.7	-3.0	32.5	-1.8	31.2	-1.3	33.4	-3.7	32.3	1.9	34.6	-1.4	32.7	-2.7
Sep	35.1	-0.8	32.9	-3.5	36.6	-0.5	36.5	-5.2	35.9	-1.9	35.4	-0.8	34.5	0.9	36.0	-2.2	35.5	0.0	37.8	3.3	36.3	-2.2
Oct	31.0	-8.3	29.4	-9.0	33.0	-6.8	32.9	-4.1	31.6	-2.8	31.0	-9.4	30.3	-7.9	33.3	-6.7	32.1	-6.4	34.0	-3.4	32.8	-8.1
Nov	34.6	-0.9	32.3	-3.3	36.5	0.8	35.4	5.7	35.2	2.3	34.9	-1.7	34.1	-1.2	35.2	0.3	34.3	-0.6	34.9	-2.8	35.2	0.0
Dec	34.7	-0.9	32.7	-2.7	36.7	0.8	34.8	0.6	34.8	1.2	35.1	-1.1	33.9	-1.5	35.4	-2.7	35.1	0.0	35.0	-2.0	35.0	-1.4
2002 Jan	34.1	-1.4	32.7	-1.8	35.4	-1.7	34.1	-0.3	34.1	0.0	34.7	-1.4	33.3	-2.1	34.9	-1.1	33.8	0.6	32.8	-4.9	33.6	-3.4
Feb	34.0	-1.7	32.7	-1.8	34.8	-3.6	34.3	1.2	33.8	0.0	34.6	-1.7	33.3	-1.8	34.4	-0.6	33.9	0.0	32.8	-0.3	33.4	0.9
Mar	33.4	-1.5	32.9	-2.4	35.7	-3.5	34.6	-0.9	34.1	-0.6	32.7	-0.6	33.6	-1.5	34.4	-1.1	31.7	-1.2	32.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3
Apr	34.7	5.5	33.1	6.8	35.8	5.6	35.3	9.0	34.7	4.2	35.2	3.5	34.2	8.6	35.1	5.7	34.1	3.0	34.6	6.5	34.6	9.8
May	34.9	-1.1	33.4	0.9	35.9	-1.9	37.4	-0.8	34.6	-2.8	35.1	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	35.8	0.0	34.9	-2.2	37.9	1.1	35.6	-2.5
Jun																						
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Average:																						
Jan-May01	34.3		32.9		35.9		34.6		34.2		34.6		33.6		34.7		33.7		34.1		34.0	
Jan-May02	34.2		33.0		35.5		35.1		34.3		34.5		33.7		34.9		33.7		34.2		34.2	
% Change	-0.1		0.2		-1.1		1.5		0.1		-0.5		0.4		0.5		0.0		0.3		0.7	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
	Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992									377.6		1,194.9					
1993									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
1994									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
1995									401.6	4.4	1,352.4	4.7				
1996									405.4	0.9	1,386.9	2.6				
1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	3.1	1,451.2	4.6	36.3		32.0	
1998	752.32	2.9	581.06	0.6	18.96	2.5	16.58	0.9	408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0	-0.8	31.5	-1.6
1999	760.87	1.1	590.55	1.6	19.16	1.1	16.77	1.1	396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2	0.6	31.5	0.0
2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
2001 Jan	788.93	4.3	604.79	1.4	19.95	3.7	17.25	1.1	381.3	-3.8	1,519.3	1.3	36.9	3.7	32.3	-0.3
Feb	794.18	3.9	606.14	2.5	19.77	2.1	17.32	2.4	387.2	-3.3	1,538.6	0.9	37.3	4.8	32.3	-0.9
Mar	796.10	1.7	614.34	3.7	19.78	-0.2	17.56	3.1	396.0	-1.0	1,551.5	2.2	37.5	2.2	32.8	0.6
Apr	776.15	0.4	618.89	2.9	19.55	0.1	17.67	2.7	395.1	-0.7	1,541.0	1.5	33.5	-11.6	30.3	-8.5
May	765.24	1.8	620.57	2.6	19.39	2.2	17.76	3.6	402.7	-5.1	1,583.7	3.0	37.6	2.7	32.0	-2.7
Jun	770.58	2.5	618.97	3.4	19.28	2.2	17.66	3.3	406.3	-5.4	1,578.5	1.7	38.2	0.0	32.1	-2.4
Jul	765.83	0.9	605.51	0.7	18.99	0.4	17.34	2.5	413.9	-4.7	1,567.4	2.9	37.1	-1.9	29.5	-5.4
Aug	763.61	1.0	611.06	0.0	18.96	0.2	17.24	0.9	410.3	-6.3	1,552.6	0.6	35.1	-1.7	28.6	-6.2
Sep	786.77	4.0	610.12	-1.4	19.64	2.5	17.52	0.6	402.1	-6.4	1,542.0	0.2	37.2	-2.4	31.8	-3.6
Oct	781.60	0.9	609.99	-0.6	19.81	2.1	17.57	1.2	388.1	-7.8	1,535.4	-0.7	32.1	-11.1	28.7	-8.0
Nov	801.69	3.1	616.21	1.1	20.32	4.4	17.66	2.0	367.7	-8.3	1,548.1	-0.4	36.0	-2.2	31.4	-3.4
Dec	795.93	3.0	609.90	0.9	20.25	3.8	17.59	2.2	352.9	-12.0	1,546.6	-0.8	36.4	-2.9	31.9	-2.1
2002 Jan	798.95	1.3	623.16	3.0	20.19	1.2	17.90	3.8	361.8	-5.1	1,537.8	1.2	35.9	-2.7	32.0	-0.9
Feb	813.58	2.4	618.75	2.1	20.66	4.5	17.94	3.6	365.8	-5.5	1,537.9	0.0	36.2	-2.9	31.8	-1.5
Mar	821.68	3.2	625.82	1.9	20.74	4.9	17.97	2.3	373.0	-5.8	1,547.6	-0.3	36.2	-3.5	32.0	-2.4
Apr	809.16	4.3	634.44	2.5	20.44	4.6	18.16	2.8	376.6	-4.7	1,561.4	1.3	36.5	9.0	32.3	6.6
May	805.43	5.3	637.07	2.7	20.17	4.0	18.18	2.4	390.1	-3.1	1,571.7	-0.8	38.0	1.1	32.3	0.9
Jun																
Jul																
Aug																
Sep																
Oct																
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-May01	784.12		612.95		19.69		17.51		392.5		1,546.8		36.6		31.9	
Jan-May02	809.76		627.85		20.44		18.03		373.5		1,551.3		36.6		32.1	
% Change	3.3		2.4		3.8		3.0		-4.8		0.3		0.0		0.4	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2A **B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE**

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992												
1993												
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32	2.9	448.40	6.7	899.96	0.6	966.88	8.4	745.78	1.8	726.71	6.3
1999	760.87	1.1	523.44	16.7	943.85	4.9	912.70	-5.6	752.92	1.0	703.72	-3.2
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2001 Jan	788.93	4.3	470.29	3.6	1015.37	11.2	909.84	2.7	755.18	0.7	802.05	10.3
Feb	794.18	3.9	495.95	9.0	1004.58	5.4	889.17	-4.7	767.81	0.8	813.55	18.1
Mar	796.10	1.7	513.23	8.3	1025.81	6.5	915.59	-7.8	774.73	0.6	804.83	12.4
Apr	776.15	0.4	491.87	-0.8	978.49	2.3	951.46	-8.3	764.58	2.0	779.27	6.0
May	765.24	1.8	467.76	19.8	918.19	1.1	970.80	-3.8	743.04	1.7	788.73	6.7
Jun	770.58	2.5	475.66	6.1	1003.28	9.2	979.47	-1.5	735.04	0.4	783.24	9.6
Jul	765.83	0.9	427.91	3.7	959.35	3.7	1003.40	4.6	745.81	0.9	766.74	1.7
Aug	763.61	1.0	465.65	18.1	959.37	1.9	1056.76	11.5	732.57	-1.8	771.70	3.7
Sep	786.77	4.0	468.37	10.2	959.33	0.3	940.34	3.2	761.45	2.6	807.73	10.1
Oct	781.60	0.9	431.63	-2.2	964.37	1.1	924.34	5.9	771.24	2.0	766.43	-1.3
Nov	801.69	3.1	411.48	-4.7	1015.24	4.2	911.15	0.5	790.16	4.2	794.74	6.7
Dec	795.93	3.0	440.55	-26.2	950.54	-4.4	874.54	-8.2	788.56	6.4	802.55	7.6
2002 Jan	798.95	1.3	489.49	4.1	951.45	-6.3	874.00	-3.9	789.33	4.5	792.22	-1.2
Feb	813.58	2.4	520.51	5.0	932.22	-7.2	892.72	0.4	816.32	6.3	791.98	-2.7
Mar	821.68	3.2	515.04	0.4	955.68	-6.8	926.92	1.2	813.03	4.9	826.41	2.7
Apr	809.16	4.3	512.53	4.2	973.68	-0.5	898.32	-5.6	793.99	3.8	828.50	6.3
May	805.43	5.3	495.66	6.0	966.76	5.3	1024.55	5.5	787.18	5.9	822.50	4.3
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-May01	784.12		487.82		988.49		927.37		761.07		797.69	
Jan-May02	809.76		506.65		955.96		923.30		799.97		812.32	
% Change	3.3		3.9		-3.3		-0.4		5.1		1.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																				
1993																				
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06	0.6	719.69	3.0	480.92	-1.5	628.57	6.8	748.58	2.7	723.86	-1.8	609.43	1.2	327.95	4.0	765.87	-2.5	618.35	1.3
1999	590.55	1.6	732.75	1.8	501.74	4.3	621.67	-1.1	772.66	3.2	734.84	1.5	621.61	2.0	318.19	-3.0	790.98	3.3	625.22	1.1
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2001 Jan	604.79	1.4	749.64	7.8	480.95	-3.8	681.55	4.6	754.33	1.2	736.53	0.5	658.42	5.0	351.52	32.9	813.62	0.5	640.63	2.0
Feb	606.14	2.5	763.82	8.7	479.90	-2.5	685.07	9.9	796.98	8.5	736.56	-1.4	659.65	5.0	344.29	30.4	814.90	3.4	643.13	2.7
Mar	614.34	3.7	810.49	17.4	473.11	-2.2	676.05	4.1	842.09	10.5	729.12	-1.2	665.12	8.1	341.43	28.5	847.54	5.7	650.17	3.1
Apr	618.89	2.9	795.55	9.2	469.97	-2.5	689.14	-1.7	822.04	5.7	747.73	-0.8	667.36	11.2	348.87	33.6	849.12	3.2	650.42	2.3
May	620.57	2.6	782.54	9.1	485.00	2.2	673.44	-4.6	836.78	8.1	747.12	-5.3	661.57	7.6	361.93	31.8	808.35	-2.8	649.78	2.2
Jun	618.97	3.4	772.38	5.1	497.99	4.4	683.86	-4.5	795.95	3.8	747.92	-2.0	662.06	7.7	351.31	28.7	816.41	-1.5	649.40	2.8
Jul	605.51	0.7	759.65	2.4	489.71	1.5	689.89	-5.5	779.67	-0.8	761.08	-3.0	640.76	1.5	355.65	34.8	813.90	1.2	638.50	0.4
Aug	611.06	0.0	770.76	3.6	513.91	3.9	706.24	0.6	777.28	-3.2	764.98	-6.6	655.40	3.2	357.63	32.0	815.58	-0.4	642.30	-0.1
Sep	610.12	-1.4	738.51	0.6	495.80	-1.0	699.38	5.7	758.69	-6.8	756.19	-4.2	660.41	-1.7	355.65	31.3	795.81	-3.4	645.68	-0.4
Oct	609.99	-0.6	773.62	2.4	487.67	-2.1	679.23	4.3	790.48	-1.7	730.63	-2.8	665.44	0.2	338.09	27.5	817.05	-0.6	643.68	-0.7
Nov	616.21	1.1	776.71	0.7	488.06	-1.2	670.31	2.9	861.92	12.3	722.89	-4.8	666.74	4.4	314.09	20.3	834.60	3.3	650.84	1.2
Dec	609.90	0.9	741.41	-1.5	471.17	-4.6	646.81	-3.0	875.95	15.2	742.48	-4.1	662.88	2.1	321.89	23.1	864.57	7.7	643.66	0.9
2002 Jan	623.16	3.0	755.01	0.7	488.11	1.5	655.80	-3.8	803.66	6.5	764.20	3.8	676.78	2.8	331.35	-5.7	862.08	6.0	656.05	2.4
Feb	618.75	2.1	782.19	2.4	469.93	-2.1	699.41	2.1	833.33	4.6	752.47	2.2	664.59	0.7	321.29	-6.7	904.92	11.0	656.21	2.0
Mar	625.82	1.9	791.23	-2.4	502.66	6.2	700.09	3.6	826.84	-1.8	770.87	5.7	691.16	3.9	331.81	-2.8	903.14	6.6	663.44	2.0
Apr	634.44	2.5	809.53	1.8	500.59	6.5	722.65	4.9	853.03	3.8	788.85	5.5	690.85	3.5	341.53	-2.1	893.43	5.2	668.06	2.7
May	637.07	2.7	823.73	5.3	506.01	4.3	724.02	7.5	840.63	0.5	787.63	5.4	686.57	3.8	351.20	-3.0	873.71	8.1	670.27	3.2
Jun																				
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-May01	612.95		780.41		477.79		681.05		810.44		739.41		662.42		349.61		826.71		646.83	
Jan-May02	627.85		792.34		493.46		700.39		831.50		772.80		681.99		335.44		887.46		662.81	
% Change	2.4		1.5		3.3		2.8		2.6		4.5		3.0		-4.1		7.3		2.5	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992												
1993												
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96	2.5	12.03	4.8	21.20	-1.0	25.27	7.2	18.88	2.3	18.59	4.4
1999	19.16	1.1	13.77	14.5	21.91	3.3	24.03	-4.9	19.06	1.0	18.20	-2.1
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2001 Jan	19.95	3.7	12.77	-2.1	24.34	10.7	24.27	6.6	19.34	1.1	19.87	6.5
Feb	19.77	2.1	12.41	0.0	23.30	2.1	24.31	-0.5	19.35	1.0	20.10	9.4
Mar	19.78	-0.2	13.00	6.1	23.32	2.2	24.67	-5.9	19.26	-0.7	20.56	6.6
Apr	19.55	0.1	12.51	3.9	22.75	-2.5	25.12	-5.8	19.26	1.7	19.99	4.3
May	19.39	2.2	11.80	8.0	22.21	0.8	25.58	-1.2	18.94	2.9	20.00	5.0
Jun	19.28	2.2	11.21	4.8	22.37	2.1	25.69	0.7	18.61	0.9	20.12	8.2
Jul	18.99	0.4	10.92	8.8	21.53	-2.0	25.79	4.7	18.75	0.8	19.24	0.9
Aug	18.96	0.2	11.78	22.2	22.21	-1.4	25.84	7.3	18.47	-2.0	19.32	2.6
Sep	19.64	2.5	12.26	17.5	22.95	-3.0	24.36	2.8	19.19	2.2	19.98	5.7
Oct	19.81	2.1	11.46	-5.0	23.59	2.4	23.91	4.5	19.52	2.6	19.71	1.6
Nov	20.32	4.4	11.72	3.7	23.60	2.6	23.44	-4.7	20.17	5.0	20.48	10.6
Dec	20.25	3.8	11.60	-19.3	23.16	-2.7	24.00	-5.0	20.05	5.8	20.53	9.1
2002 Jan	20.19	1.2	12.30	-3.7	22.39	-8.0	23.27	-4.1	19.78	2.3	20.93	5.3
Feb	20.66	4.5	13.48	8.6	21.56	-7.5	23.65	-2.7	20.76	7.3	20.72	3.1
Mar	20.74	4.9	13.48	3.7	21.92	-6.0	25.31	2.6	20.54	6.6	21.44	4.3
Apr	20.44	4.6	13.91	11.2	23.16	1.8	24.00	-4.5	20.09	4.3	21.04	5.3
May	20.17	4.0	12.87	9.1	22.55	1.5	26.46	3.4	19.82	4.6	20.74	3.7
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-May01	19.69		12.50		23.18		24.79		19.23		20.10	
Jan-May02	20.44		13.21		22.32		24.54		20.20		20.97	
% Change	3.8		5.7		-3.7		-1.0		5.0		4.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																				
1993																				
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58	0.9	18.64	2.6	13.57	0.1	17.22	6.9	19.59	3.0	22.16	-1.6	18.65	1.0	10.40	3.0	20.92	-1.1	17.10	1.4
1999	16.77	1.1	19.00	1.9	14.07	3.7	17.02	-1.2	20.39	4.1	21.94	-1.0	18.89	1.3	10.27	-1.3	21.54	3.0	17.26	0.9
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2001 Jan	17.25	1.1	19.13	5.2	13.77	-4.0	18.68	5.4	20.06	3.1	22.45	0.5	19.98	5.6	11.10	6.2	21.84	-0.7	17.78	1.7
Feb	17.32	2.4	19.45	5.9	13.97	-1.4	19.06	11.7	20.61	6.6	22.44	-0.5	20.00	5.1	11.01	2.9	22.11	3.9	17.80	2.2
Mar	17.56	3.1	20.49	11.8	13.81	-1.4	18.65	3.8	21.39	7.0	22.80	-0.5	20.30	7.8	11.13	2.9	22.46	4.1	18.00	2.3
Apr	17.67	2.7	20.78	10.5	13.86	0.4	18.71	-1.3	21.57	5.0	23.07	-3.3	20.29	9.6	10.97	1.6	22.60	2.0	18.04	2.1
May	17.76	3.6	20.33	10.3	13.85	2.4	18.68	-1.3	22.14	6.4	22.94	-3.1	20.20	7.2	11.44	5.0	22.51	1.4	18.09	3.2
Jun	17.66	3.3	20.30	7.7	14.14	3.7	18.62	-1.4	21.31	6.1	22.54	-2.5	20.04	5.0	11.15	4.7	22.57	0.8	17.99	2.9
Jul	17.34	2.5	20.18	8.3	13.97	3.4	18.62	-3.6	21.48	3.6	22.51	-4.5	19.82	2.6	10.96	3.8	22.62	4.3	17.68	1.8
Aug	17.24	0.9	20.02	7.5	14.41	4.3	18.85	-1.3	20.97	1.0	21.90	-7.5	20.03	4.2	10.73	-0.2	22.38	1.8	17.59	0.6
Sep	17.52	0.6	19.63	5.5	13.96	-0.5	19.15	3.6	20.73	-2.3	22.92	-1.5	20.37	2.2	10.97	0.0	22.32	1.7	17.95	1.0
Oct	17.57	1.2	20.33	6.6	13.77	-3.2	18.56	3.2	21.35	2.8	22.90	1.6	20.29	1.4	10.79	-2.5	22.43	2.4	18.01	1.1
Nov	17.66	2.0	19.92	3.2	13.96	-0.9	18.45	2.0	22.62	13.8	22.24	-3.1	20.40	4.0	10.65	-6.0	22.69	5.2	18.16	2.3
Dec	17.59	2.2	19.07	-0.7	13.76	-3.2	17.63	-3.2	22.79	14.6	23.10	2.2	20.34	3.4	10.75	-2.8	23.60	9.6	18.07	2.3
2002 Jan	17.90	3.8	19.39	1.4	14.28	3.7	17.92	-4.1	21.09	5.1	23.57	5.0	20.72	3.7	10.81	-2.6	23.35	6.9	18.33	3.1
Feb	17.94	3.6	20.13	3.5	13.74	-1.6	18.99	-0.4	21.80	5.8	23.76	5.9	20.40	2.0	10.97	-0.4	24.20	9.5	18.46	3.7
Mar	17.97	2.3	19.71	-3.8	14.50	5.0	19.41	4.1	22.14	3.5	23.45	2.9	20.63	1.6	11.12	-0.1	24.24	7.9	18.50	2.8
Apr	18.16	2.8	20.41	-1.8	14.42	4.0	19.64	5.0	22.64	5.0	23.78	3.1	20.77	2.4	11.22	2.3	24.17	6.9	18.60	3.1
May	18.18	2.4	20.45	0.6	14.53	4.9	19.60	4.9	22.26	0.5	23.79	3.7	20.88	3.-	11.45	0.1	23.58	4.8	18.58	2.7
Jun																				
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Average:																				
Jan-May01	17.51		20.04		13.85		18.76		21.15		22.74		20.15		11.13		22.30		17.94	
Jan-May02	18.03		20.02		14.29		19.11		21.99		23.67		20.68		11.11		23.91		18.49	
% Change	3.0		-0.1		3.2		1.9		3.9		4.1		2.6		-0.1		7.2		3.1	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1992	372.0		30.5		26.9		5.1		16.2		167.7		20.8		45.9		20.7		114.3	
1993	384.5	3.4	34.3	12.5	25.8	-4.1	6.3	23.5	12.3	-24.1	179.2	6.9	22.2	6.7	49.2	7.2	21.6	4.3	114.2	-0.1
1994	401.6	4.4	30.7	-10.5	30.7	19.0	6.2	-1.6	12.0	-2.4	183.7	2.5	26.8	20.7	49.7	1.0	21.0	-2.8	125.6	10.0
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2001 Jan	381.3	-3.8	20.6	-22.0	30.2	0.7	2.5	-56.9	12.6	-14.9	207.8	3.3	27.1	20.4	51.2	31.3	12.5	-47.7	97.3	-9.2
Feb	387.2	-3.3	25.8	-1.5	29.3	-13.8	4.1	-16.3	10.6	-26.4	199.4	3.2	26.0	29.4	53.4	32.8	14.2	-30.7	107.4	-7.9
Mar	396.0	-1.0	26.3	0.8	24.2	-31.4	8.9	71.2	10.1	-32.2	203.8	3.5	29.5	59.5	54.2	29.7	14.5	-27.5	112.5	2.4
Apr	395.1	-0.7	27.0	3.4	21.2	-37.5	7.5	47.1	8.2	-42.3	203.9	2.0	28.8	22.6	49.1	16.9	15.8	-13.2	114.2	5.8
May	402.7	-5.1	24.3	-20.6	24.4	-40.6	8.0	37.9	10.1	-22.3	202.3	-2.6	29.6	20.3	50.5	14.5	17.8	3.5	120.3	5.4
Jun	406.3	-5.4	25.5	-22.7	23.7	-44.0	6.5	8.3	11.8	-8.5	202.7	-3.7	30.3	17.4	47.6	-2.7	18.7	19.9	123.2	9.7
Jul	413.9	-4.7	28.2	-22.5	28.3	-36.7	5.9	18.0	11.1	-15.3	198.0	-2.7	25.3	4.1	51.8	14.9	17.9	4.7	129.5	10.5
Aug	410.3	-6.3	32.4	-22.3	30.3	-22.7	5.1	30.8	12.6	-17.1	196.5	-5.6	28.0	4.9	50.3	5.5	16.0	-4.2	120.4	2.8
Sep	402.1	-6.4	28.6	-12.8	29.5	-15.7	4.4	-13.7	14.6	10.6	196.2	-6.3	24.5	0.8	49.3	4.9	12.8	-22.0	117.0	-5.3
Oct	388.1	-7.8	26.1	-13.6	27.4	-30.1	3.5	-5.4	13.7	8.7	187.1	-13.5	24.3	1.3	47.1	-16.9	12.9	-23.2	118.4	9.3
Nov	367.7	-8.3	24.5	7.9	23.4	-35.9	4.3	7.5	13.1	11.0	177.2	-14.8	20.4	-20.0	42.9	-18.4	13.5	-17.2	114.6	5.4
Dec	352.9	-12.0	21.8	-12.1	21.4	-38.2	3.9	14.7	12.4	14.8	179.9	-14.4	20.4	-18.4	46.3	-13.3	13.8	-0.7	103.6	-3.6
2002 Jan	361.8	-5.1	21.8	5.8	21.3	-29.5	2.8	12.0	12.4	-1.6	179.8	-13.5	18.0	-33.6	41.9	-18.2	16.3	30.4	110.8	13.9
Feb	365.8	-5.5	20.9	-19.0	23.9	-18.4	1.7	-58.5	11.6	9.4	186.9	-6.3	21.5	-17.3	47.1	-11.8	17.6	23.9	109.7	2.1
Mar	373.0	-5.8	23.4	-11.0	25.0	3.3	2.1	-76.4	11.2	10.9	191.5	-6.0	20.2	-31.5	50.3	-7.2	21.1	45.5	107.5	-4.4
Apr	376.6	-4.7	24.9	-7.8	22.0	3.8	2.5	-66.7	9.3	13.4	194.8	-4.5	20.0	-30.6	48.4	-1.4	19.0	20.3	111.9	-2.0
May	390.1	-3.1	29.1	19.8	24.2	-0.8	2.3	-71.3	8.8	-12.9	192.1	-5.0	22.4	-24.3	48.3	-4.4	19.4	9.0	119.6	-0.6
Jun																				
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-May01	392.5		24.8		25.9		6.2		10.3		203.4		28.2		51.7		15.0		110.3	
Jan-May02	373.5		24.0		23.3		2.3		10.7		189.0		20.4		47.2		18.7		111.9	
% Change	-4.8		-3.1		-10.0		-63.2		3.3		-7.1		-27.6		-8.7		24.9		1.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1992	1,248.3		100.5		265.2		109.3		674.1		106.1		162.9		130.8		99.3		1,620.3	
1993	1,291.4	3.5	100.6	0.1	275.2	3.8	113.9	4.2	700.4	3.9	112.6	6.1	164.3	0.9	121.4	-7.2	101.3	2.0	1,675.9	3.4
1994	1,352.4	4.7	99.1	-1.5	289.4	5.2	118.0	3.6	745.8	6.5	120.4	6.9	170.8	4.0	129.2	6.4	100.1	-1.2	1,754.0	4.7
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2001 Jan	1,519.3	1.3	105.3	-9.9	299.8	1.7	122.9	5.6	904.4	3.0	140.1	-2.5	194.1	-4.1	164.7	9.9	86.9	-7.7	1,900.6	0.2
Feb	1,538.6	0.9	105.9	-12.7	294.4	-2.0	122.8	5.1	928.5	3.8	144.3	0.6	188.3	-7.4	180.7	16.5	87.0	-4.7	1,925.9	0.1
Mar	1,551.5	2.2	111.1	-6.2	305.9	1.0	118.4	4.2	928.5	4.0	134.4	-5.5	205.1	0.5	175.7	14.1	87.6	-2.6	1,947.6	1.6
Apr	1,541.0	1.5	108.3	-9.1	298.1	-0.4	122.0	5.4	923.9	3.1	136.9	-0.6	198.7	-3.3	169.6	6.5	88.7	1.1	1,936.1	1.0
May	1,583.7	3.0	106.7	-12.6	313.7	4.7	118.3	0.5	948.6	4.3	138.5	3.7	209.6	1.8	177.0	4.1	96.4	9.3	1,986.4	1.3
Jun	1,578.5	1.7	106.7	-10.8	304.8	1.4	119.7	2.5	955.7	3.0	132.9	-2.4	211.4	2.5	169.9	0.7	91.5	4.3	1,984.8	0.2
Jul	1,567.4	2.9	107.7	-4.9	307.8	-1.4	115.4	-7.4	945.5	6.5	112.8	4.2	213.2	5.2	178.7	5.8	90.9	5.9	1,981.3	1.2
Aug	1,552.6	0.6	109.0	-4.5	315.0	1.2	118.4	-5.5	918.0	2.0	111.8	5.0	208.2	3.1	176.2	7.2	92.4	0.5	1,962.9	-0.9
Sep	1,542.0	0.2	111.1	1.3	313.1	4.2	111.0	-8.0	922.0	0.4	136.4	0.4	204.2	2.6	161.8	-4.9	84.7	-5.7	1,944.1	-1.2
Oct	1,535.4	-0.7	106.5	0.8	312.2	4.5	111.1	-4.0	921.4	-1.5	141.2	-0.4	197.2	-0.5	164.6	-5.8	84.0	-7.5	1,923.4	-2.2
Nov	1,548.1	-0.4	106.5	-1.0	325.1	5.5	106.2	-13.1	921.3	-0.6	150.0	2.7	203.0	3.7	156.8	-6.3	88.9	-0.9	1,915.7	-2.0
Dec	1,546.6	-0.8	98.2	-6.3	323.8	4.3	108.6	-15.5	929.9	0.4	149.2	4.3	212.2	5.6	171.5	3.6	86.3	-4.0	1,899.6	-3.1
2002 Jan	1,537.8	1.2	103.6	-1.6	303.4	1.2	115.6	-5.9	931.9	3.0	145.1	3.6	215.3	10.9	168.7	2.4	83.4	-4.0	1,899.6	-0.1
Feb	1,537.9	0.0	106.1	0.2	304.2	3.3	111.7	-9.0	937.3	0.9	142.2	-1.5	210.2	11.6	174.4	-3.5	78.6	-9.7	1,903.7	-1.2
Mar	1,547.6	-0.3	101.6	-8.6	299.3	-2.2	110.0	-7.1	954.3	2.8	142.9	6.3	211.4	3.1	180.8	2.9	82.3	-6.1	1,920.6	-1.4
Apr	1,561.4	1.3	104.4	-3.6	317.1	6.4	108.2	-11.3	953.0	3.1	147.7	7.9	216.3	8.9	179.9	6.1	78.9	-11.0	1,938.1	0.1
May	1,571.7	-0.8	107.7	0.9	321.8	2.6	111.5	-5.7	948.7	0.0	139.7	0.9	213.6	1.9	178.7	1.0	82.1	-14.8	1,961.8	-1.2
Jun																				
Jul																				
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-May01	1,546.8		107.5		302.4		120.9		926.8		138.8		199.2		173.5		89.3		1,939.3	
Jan-May02	1,551.3		104.7		309.2		111.4		945.0		143.5		213.4		176.5		81.1		1,924.8	
% Change	0.3		-2.6		2.2		-7.8		2.0		3.4		7.1		1.7		-9.2		-0.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992	36.0		42.9		37.7		33.3		35.3		34.9	
1993	36.8	2.2	39.6	-7.7	38.5	2.1	34.9	4.8	36.4	3.1	36.0	3.2
1994	36.8	0.0	37.0	-6.6	38.8	0.8	35.2	0.9	37.0	1.6	35.9	-0.3
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2001 Jan	36.9	3.7	39.0	46.6	35.9	5.6	39.4	6.8	37.0	-3.4	36.4	9.0
Feb	37.3	4.8	37.1	26.6	39.6	6.2	39.4	8.5	37.5	-1.1	35.8	10.8
Mar	37.5	2.2	39.3	17.0	39.7	1.8	40.0	6.4	37.1	-3.4	36.5	9.6
Apr	33.5	-11.6	38.8	-1.3	32.1	-7.0	32.5	-16.2	33.6	-14.5	32.8	-9.9
May	37.6	2.7	39.6	13.1	41.1	17.1	34.4	6.5	37.5	-1.6	36.7	2.5
Jun	38.2	0.0	43.3	3.8	44.3	9.1	35.8	0.8	37.7	-1.3	36.1	0.0
Jul	37.1	-1.9	41.2	0.5	38.3	-1.8	32.3	-15.2	37.0	-1.1	36.4	-0.8
Aug	35.1	-1.7	39.4	-6.6	36.7	0.3	35.9	8.8	34.4	-1.4	34.3	-1.7
Sep	37.2	-2.4	36.7	-14.3	41.3	6.2	34.1	0.9	36.9	-2.6	36.6	-2.1
Oct	32.1	-11.1	36.1	-7.0	31.3	-13.1	24.8	-15.9	32.6	-8.9	31.3	-15.2
Nov	36.0	-2.2	35.8	-1.9	34.7	-8.2	34.4	4.6	36.9	-0.5	35.2	-2.5
Dec	36.4	-2.9	34.5	-14.0	37.1	-0.3	30.3	-27.7	37.1	-1.6	35.9	-0.6
2002 Jan	35.9	-2.7	29.4	-24.6	39.1	8.9	35.5	-9.9	37.6	1.6	33.3	-8.5
Feb	36.2	-2.9	29.0	-21.8	40.4	2.0	33.8	-14.2	37.5	0.0	34.1	-4.7
Mar	36.2	-3.5	33.3	-15.3	41.4	4.3	34.7	-13.3	36.4	-1.9	34.9	-4.4
Apr	36.5	9.0	36.0	-7.2	34.9	8.7	33.2	2.2	37.0	10.1	36.6	11.6
May	38.0	1.1	38.5	-2.8	38.9	-5.4	37.4	8.7	38.3	2.1	37.0	0.8
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-May01	36.6		38.8		37.7		37.1		36.5		35.6	
Jan-May02	36.6		33.2		38.9		34.9		37.4		35.2	
% Change	0.0		-14.2		3.3		-6.0		2.2		-1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992	32.1		35.7		32.3		34.1		35.4		29.1		30.2		29.3		33.2		33.0	
1993	32.2	0.3	36.5	2.2	32.7	1.2	34.0	-0.3	35.2	-0.6	28.5	-2.1	29.2	-3.3	30.3	3.4	32.9	-0.9	33.2	0.6
1994	32.2	0.0	36.6	0.3	32.7	0.0	32.9	-3.2	35.1	-0.3	29.4	3.2	29.6	1.4	30.7	1.3	32.6	-0.9	33.2	0.0
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2001 Jan	32.3	-0.3	36.7	1.9	31.0	-2.8	33.2	-2.4	34.3	-4.7	33.6	6.3	30.6	-3.5	29.4	1.7	34.4	-0.9	33.3	0.6
Feb	32.3	-0.9	36.5	1.4	31.6	0.0	33.1	-4.1	35.7	-5.6	32.7	0.0	30.4	0.0	30.0	2.4	34.2	-2.3	33.3	0.0
Mar	32.8	0.6	36.9	1.4	31.8	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	37.0	0.8	31.0	-2.8	30.5	0.0	30.3	3.4	36.3	3.1	33.7	0.9
Apr	30.3	-8.5	33.3	-2.9	30.5	-6.4	31.3	-14.5	35.1	-3.0	27.0	-15.6	27.5	-11.6	29.7	0.3	27.5	-25.9	31.0	-9.1
May	32.0	-2.7	34.9	-3.6	31.8	-1.9	33.6	-3.4	34.0	-2.3	31.4	-0.3	30.3	-2.9	30.0	-0.3	31.9	-9.1	33.1	-1.8
Jun	32.1	-2.4	34.3	-8.0	32.5	-0.6	33.5	-5.4	34.3	-5.8	32.0	1.3	30.2	-5.6	31.0	8.0	32.7	-5.5	33.3	-2.1
Jul	29.5	-5.4	34.1	-7.6	30.6	-5.3	33.4	0.3	31.7	-8.4	13.9	-6.7	27.9	-7.6	30.4	0.0	31.4	-5.1	31.1	-4.6
Aug	28.6	-6.2	34.7	-6.7	29.5	-5.4	30.3	-4.7	30.4	-9.5	14.2	11.8	27.3	-8.7	31.2	0.6	26.0	-19.3	30.0	-5.4
Sep	31.8	-3.6	35.3	-9.7	32.0	-3.3	32.6	-0.9	33.0	-6.0	33.1	-0.6	28.8	-3.7	30.6	-2.2	29.9	-12.8	32.9	-3.5
Oct	28.7	-8.0	33.7	-7.9	29.2	-5.5	29.2	-8.5	29.3	-14.3	26.9	-7.6	26.2	-11.5	28.6	-4.7	29.5	-7.2	29.4	-9.0
Nov	31.4	-3.4	36.2	-5.2	31.8	0.3	32.7	-1.2	34.1	-2.8	31.1	-8.0	28.6	-4.7	27.6	-8.6	33.2	-0.9	32.3	-3.3
Dec	31.9	-2.1	37.0	-6.6	31.3	-3.4	35.4	6.3	36.5	2.2	30.6	-7.0	28.9	-4.3	29.0	-2.0	33.2	-4.9	32.7	-2.7
2002 Jan	32.0	-0.9	36.5	-0.5	31.5	1.6	34.7	4.5	36.4	6.1	31.8	-5.4	30.6	0.0	28.3	-3.7	32.6	-5.2	32.7	-1.8
Feb	31.8	-1.5	34.6	-5.2	31.6	0.0	36.2	9.4	35.3	-1.1	31.0	-5.2	29.6	-2.6	28.8	-4.0	34.7	1.5	32.7	-1.8
Mar	32.0	-2.4	33.8	-8.4	32.8	3.1	35.1	2.9	36.0	-2.7	31.8	2.6	31.0	1.6	28.1	-7.3	33.6	-7.4	32.9	-2.4
Apr	32.3	6.6	36.5	9.6	31.7	3.9	35.2	12.5	36.8	4.8	32.8	21.5	30.1	9.5	27.8	-6.4	36.0	30.9	33.1	6.8
May	32.3	0.9	37.2	6.6	32.6	2.5	34.8	3.6	34.3	0.9	32.2	2.5	30.4	0.3	28.3	-5.7	34.7	8.8	33.4	0.9
Jun																				
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Average:																				
Jan-May01	31.9		35.7		31.3		33.1		35.2		31.1		29.9		29.9		32.9		32.9	
Jan-May02	32.1		35.7		32.0		35.2		35.8		31.9		30.3		28.3		34.3		33.0	
% Change	0.4		0.2		2.2		6.5		1.5		2.5		1.6		-5.4		4.4		0.2	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions and comments should be directed to Linda Coldwell at (250) 356-2328 or Linda.Coldwell@gems3.gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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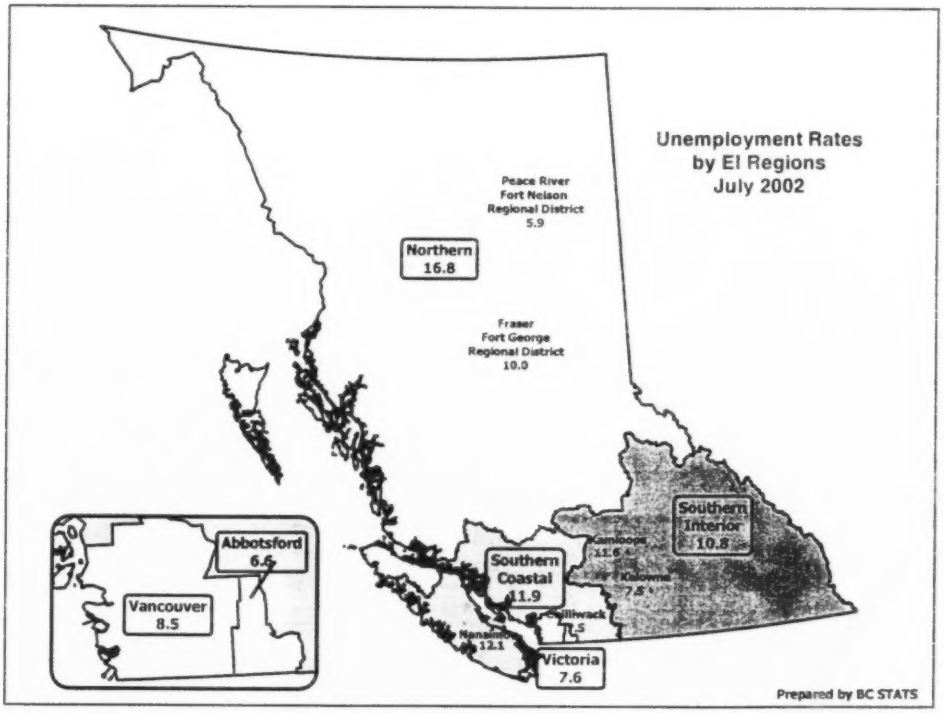
The Effect of Regional Unemployment Rates on Employment Insurance Entitlement

An individual's entitlement to Employment Insurance (EI) benefits depends on two factors: the number of hours worked in insurable employment and the unemployment rate in the region where the claimant lives. The latter effect, that is the local unemployment rate, on an individual's entitlement to benefits can be quite dramatic.

Across BC there are six "localized" EI Regions, three of which are Census Metropolitan Areas, Vancouver, Victoria and Abbotsford and three others encompassing the rest of the province. The latter three are very large and economically diverse areas. As the map below shows, the unemployment rate in these six areas, according to Human Resource Development Canada (HRDC), currently ranges from 16.8 per cent in the "Northern" region to 6.6 per cent in Abbotsford. The higher the unemployment rate, the less demanding are the requirements for entitlement to EI benefits.



Note: The unemployment rates in the boxes represent the HRDC unemployment rates upon which the benefit entitlements are based. These unemployment rates are based on the Labour Force Survey adjusted to include the unemployment rates of aboriginal peoples living-on-reserve. The other unemployment rates shown are not comparable as they do not include aboriginal peoples living-on-reserve and in the case of the supplementary rates for the North, the time frame is the 2000/2001 average from the LFS rather than the current 3 month average. These supplementary rates are included only to give an indication of the differential unemployment rates that can occur within an EI Region.

Currently, to be entitled to benefits at all, an unemployed individual in the Northern Region must have worked at least 420 hours while his or her counterpart in Abbotsford has to have worked a minimum of 665 hours. That difference is 245 hours, or six weeks based on a 40 hour work-week. The other 4 regions fall somewhere in between. Besides determining the entrance requirements, the local unemployment rate also dictates how long a person is entitled to benefits. In the high unemployment area of the North, an individual is entitled to benefits for up to a maximum of 45 weeks, whereas the maximum number of weeks of benefits for someone living in Abbotsford is only 38 weeks, seven weeks fewer.

The rules dictating the entrance requirements and entitlement periods are in place to enhance the workforce adjustment process. In areas where jobs are easier to find, the more stringent entrance requirements and shorter entitlement periods prod claimants to find work quickly. On the other hand, providing income support for longer periods to the unemployed living in areas where jobs are more difficult to find, assists the unemployed directly plus helps soften the overall hardship for communities suffering through economic downturns. In effect, the EI program is used as a policy tool for transferring income from the more economically robust communities to communities undergoing hard times.

A major concern for BC with the existing EI system is the fact that benefit entitlement is based on average unemployment rates within the three very large areas of the "Northern", the "Southern Interior" and the "Southern Coastal". As can be seen from the map on the previous page, within these three EI regions, the situation does arise where communities with high unemployment are situated in low unemployment EI Regions. Under such circumstances, the unemployed in these economically depressed communities would not be able to access full benefit from the EI system.

For example, the Southern Coastal EI region includes the Port Alberni area, a region very dependent on forestry and hence a region that suffers severe downturns. While the existing statistical system in Canada does not provide unemployment rates for areas as small as Port Alberni, we do know that Port Alberni is one of the most welfare dependent regions in BC. But because it sits in an EI region that is dominated by communities that are economically more diverse, such as those in the Fraser Valley and Squamish-Lillooet, the average unemployment rate for the EI Region is, in all probability, much lower than the Port Alberni rate. As a result, unemployed workers in the Port Alberni area have to work at least 490 hours to access EI, whereas persons living in communities in the Northern region with similar unemployment circumstances only have to work 420 hours to receive benefits.

Similarly, in the Southern Interior EI region, the Thompson-Nicola, a region also strongly dependent on the forest sector, sits side by side with the Okanagan, an area with a larger economic base. Currently, the unemployment rate for Kamloops is running at 1.5 times the unemployment rate in Kelowna. Thus, the relative "well-being" of the dominant Okanagan region keeps the average unemployment rate low, which in turn restricts access to the full benefit of the EI program for the more economically needy communities of the Thompson-Nicola region.

The Northern region includes virtually all areas north of Kamloops, including the Northeast where unemployment rates have been rela-

tively low due to the boom in oil and gas, alongside the northern interior and coast regions which often suffer very high levels of unemployment. The "Northern" EI region consistently seems to have an unemployment rate close to or above the maximum rate[1], so economically depressed areas in the North receive what they should, maximum EI access. However, somewhat unfairly, unemployed persons in booming Fort Nelson and economically stable Kitimat are able to take advantage of far more lenient restrictions to EI than they would if benefits were based on their local unemployment rate.

Ideally, unemployment rates for communities would be available on a monthly basis, but that is unlikely to happen without huge public expenditure on data collection. So the inequities that arise from using an average value to categorize everyone living in a non-uniform region are likely here to stay. However, the inequities might be mitigated somewhat if the regions were aligned more along similar economic bases rather than along geographic proximity to each other. For example, it would make more sense if Alberni-Clayoquot were in the same EI region as Skeena-Queen Charlotte rather than with the Fraser Valley. And, at first glance, there do not appear to be any real reasons why an EI Region has to be made up of contiguous areas. Within the next few years, Statistics Canada will re-design the Labour Force Survey sample. This presents an opportunity for HRDC to investigate ways to improve the economic homogeneity of each defined EI Region.

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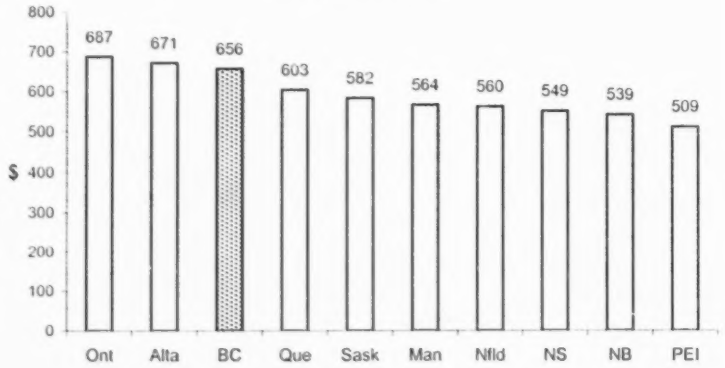
[1] All areas with unemployment rates greater than 16 per cent are entitled to maximum EI access.

Average Weekly Wage Rate* - July 2002

by Province



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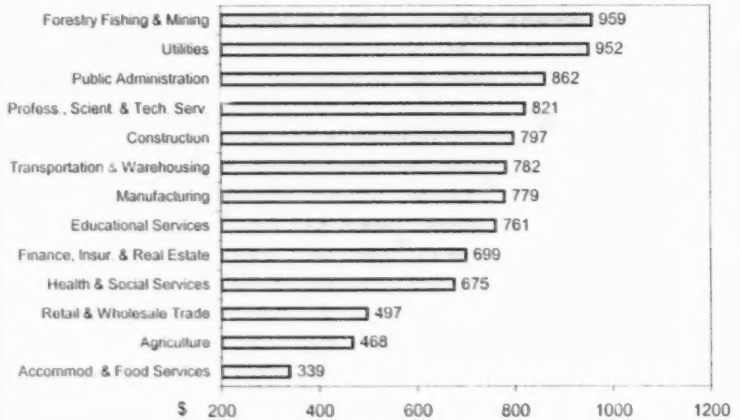
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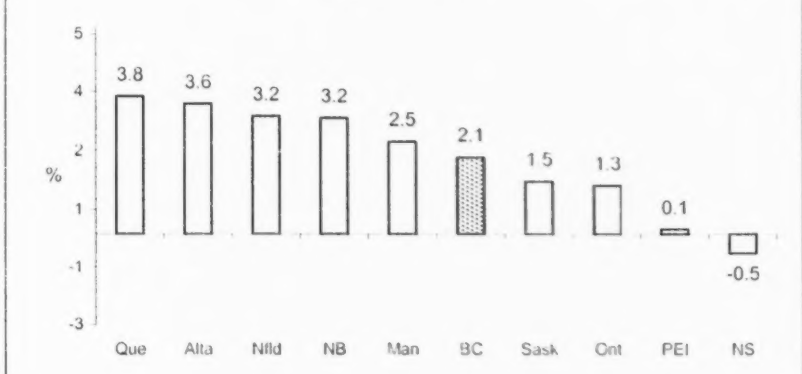
** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - July 2002

by Province



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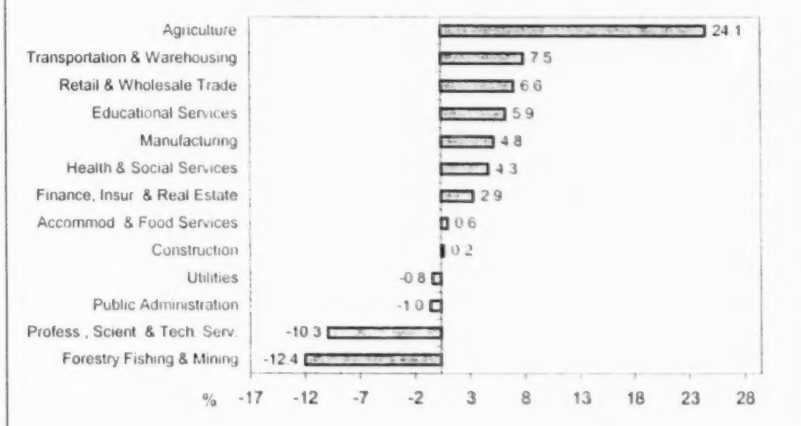
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Accommod. & Food Services 0.6
Construction 0.2
Utilities -0.8
Public Administration -1.0
Profess., Scient. & Tech. Serv. -10.3
Forestry Fishing & Mining -12.4
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** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

1 SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
				Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
	% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
1992	2.7	1.5	3.0			2.7			-0.3	3.0	-0.7	0.7	10.2	11.2	7.5
1993	3.5	1.8	3.0			2.8			-0.2	3.4	0.8	1.5	9.7	11.4	6.9
1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.2			-0.6	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.1			0.2	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	1.3	1.4	4.1	1.0	0.4	2.5	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	1.1	2.7	3.3	0.0	0.9	1.1	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	1.3	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	3.3	-0.3	0.6	0.5	-0.3	1.1	-0.1	7.7	7.2	4.8
2001 Jan	2.9	3.0	3.7	2.0	3.0	2.3	-0.8	0.0	-1.4	0.2	1.9	0.7	7.2	6.9	4.2
Feb	1.1	2.9	3.5	2.7	3.8	3.4	1.6	0.9	-0.1	0.1	1.5	0.5	7.2	6.9	4.2
Mar	0.9	2.5	2.9	3.1	3.9	3.7	2.2	1.4	0.8	1.4	1.4	0.6	6.6	7.0	4.3
Apr	2.3	3.6	3.3	2.3	3.7	2.6	0.0	0.1	-0.7	1.0	1.5	-0.1	7.0	7.0	4.5
May	2.5	3.9	3.6	2.2	3.8	3.5	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	1.2	1.4	0.2	6.9	7.0	4.4
Jun	2.7	3.3	3.2	2.8	3.8	3.6	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.3	-0.2	7.2	7.1	4.6
Jul	1.8	2.6	2.7	0.4	2.9	3.6	-1.4	0.3	0.8	1.0	1.3	0.2	7.4	7.1	4.6
Aug	1.8	2.8	2.7	-0.1	2.7	3.6	-1.8	-0.1	0.8	-0.8	1.0	-0.5	8.0	7.3	4.9
Sep	2.1	2.6	2.6	-0.4	2.5	4.0	-2.4	-0.2	1.3	-1.2	0.8	-0.1	7.8	7.2	5.0
Oct	1.1	1.9	2.1	-0.7	2.3	1.8	-1.8	0.4	-0.3	-2.2	0.7	-0.6	8.4	7.4	5.4
Nov	0.3	0.7	1.9	1.2	2.5	2.9	0.8	1.8	1.0	-2.1	0.5	-1.0	8.7	7.6	5.6
Dec	0.4	0.7	1.6	0.9	3.2	4.6	0.4	2.5	3.0	-3.1	0.1	-1.3	9.7	8.0	5.8
2002 Jan	0.8	1.3	1.1	2.4	3.1	2.9	1.6	1.7	1.7	-0.2	0.7	-1.8	8.9	7.9	5.6
Feb	2.9	1.5	1.1	2.0	2.8	3.5	-0.9	1.3	2.4	-1.1	0.9	-1.0	8.8	7.9	5.5
Mar	2.9	1.8	1.5	2.0	2.7	3.1	-0.8	0.9	1.6	-1.6	1.3	-1.4	9.0	7.7	5.7
Apr	2.3	1.7	1.6	2.7	2.5	2.4	0.4	0.8	0.8	-0.2	1.4	-1.1	8.7	7.6	6.0
May	2.2	1.0	1.2	3.2	2.4	3.2	1.0	1.4	2.0	-1.3	1.6	-0.6	9.5	7.7	5.8
Jun	1.6	1.3	1.1	3.0	2.5	4.3	1.3	1.2	3.2	0.9	2.1	-0.7	8.7	7.5	5.9
Jul				3.9	2.8					1.8	2.3		8.2	7.6	
Aug															
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																						
1993																						
1994																						
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1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89	1.4	618.35	1.3	573.15	2.2	508.24	1.4	515.55	1.4	611.13	1.1	555.93	1.4	496.06	1.7	494.60	3.1	446.17	1.3	490.40	-0.5
1999	595.62	2.7	625.22	1.1	593.60	3.6	524.90	3.3	530.97	3.0	633.05	3.6	565.83	1.8	504.70	1.7	503.35	1.8	462.02	3.6	495.79	1.1
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2001 Jan	625.00	3.0	640.63	2.0	633.84	3.1	558.20	4.8	567.17	4.3	665.46	3.6	586.01	1.1	548.73	5.3	537.89	5.1	489.76	4.3	534.35	7.2
Feb	627.72	3.8	643.13	2.7	645.40	5.9	563.92	5.3	558.40	2.5	669.37	4.5	586.21	1.8	542.90	3.4	536.09	5.9	485.53	3.2	537.14	5.1
Mar	630.47	3.9	650.17	3.1	641.01	5.5	561.30	5.4	560.84	3.7	673.42	4.5	588.37	2.3	543.55	2.1	540.95	6.0	486.84	5.2	534.66	5.3
Apr	634.96	3.7	650.42	2.3	644.94	5.3	571.29	6.7	563.64	4.7	678.43	4.1	594.43	2.5	540.09	0.5	544.12	4.7	488.49	3.9	549.49	7.0
May	635.08	3.8	649.78	2.2	649.07	6.1	571.53	6.1	560.66	4.5	679.90	3.9	595.17	3.6	530.91	-0.7	532.33	2.1	491.77	3.6	548.90	5.5
Jun	634.36	3.8	649.40	2.8	649.85	7.0	574.52	6.0	560.74	3.5	677.03	3.0	596.77	4.3	528.99	0.4	539.13	3.4	490.06	2.6	557.63	6.9
Jul	631.21	2.9	638.50	0.4	652.26	6.8	573.31	4.7	556.82	1.1	675.21	2.5	593.64	3.2	532.25	1.5	540.48	4.2	486.60	4.2	542.89	5.2
Aug	636.27	2.7	642.30	-0.1	651.33	6.0	572.88	4.2	563.61	2.7	681.30	2.6	600.68	2.8	528.95	-0.4	548.04	5.2	492.92	6.0	547.33	3.4
Sep	639.50	2.5	645.68	-0.4	651.25	5.9	577.17	4.4	557.42	-0.2	688.16	2.6	599.70	2.3	536.87	0.6	551.22	4.8	506.11	7.7	559.97	2.6
Oct	637.02	2.3	643.68	-0.7	662.23	5.9	579.30	5.0	552.42	-1.9	681.45	2.8	597.80	2.2	533.41	-1.3	540.24	2.8	514.00	8.5	568.97	3.5
Nov	638.14	2.5	650.84	1.2	661.63	6.1	579.25	4.5	555.28	-1.8	681.85	2.7	596.83	2.1	533.40	-0.5	538.94	1.3	515.14	6.9	567.56	5.1
Dec	641.35	3.2	643.66	0.9	669.75	6.3	582.56	4.7	554.94	-1.5	685.20	3.3	604.25	4.4	537.28	-1.0	540.69	0.6	510.84	6.0	549.20	3.9
2002 Jan	644.11	3.1	656.05	2.4	662.97	4.6	583.46	4.5	562.28	-0.9	689.28	3.6	602.61	2.8	538.83	-1.8	544.99	1.3	513.39	4.8	556.22	4.1
Feb	645.24	2.8	656.21	2.0	674.86	4.6	582.74	3.3	562.23	0.7	689.61	3.0	601.53	2.6	538.69	-0.8	547.91	2.2	504.46	3.9	553.20	3.0
Mar	647.71	2.7	663.44	2.0	682.08	6.4	581.70	3.6	566.56	1.0	691.17	2.6	601.71	2.3	543.06	-0.1	545.25	0.8	507.40	4.2	560.35	4.8
Apr	650.90	2.5	668.06	2.7	681.75	5.7	585.01	2.4	569.59	1.1	693.21	2.2	607.40	2.2	546.77	1.2	552.38	1.5	519.74	6.4	567.78	3.3
May	650.33	2.4	670.27	3.2	686.17	5.7	585.49	2.4	569.65	1.6	689.99	1.5	607.85	2.1	543.23	2.3	560.22	5.2	516.87	5.1	575.39	4.8
Jun	650.36	2.5	668.57	3.0	687.23	5.8	585.89	2.0	575.44	2.6	689.24	1.8	609.90	2.2	546.20	3.3	555.76	3.1	510.02	4.1	574.80	3.1
Jul	648.92	2.8	663.53	3.9	686.68	5.3	587.59	2.5	583.91	4.9	688.16	1.9	608.54	2.5	546.08	2.6	561.01	3.8	497.72	2.3	540.65	-0.4
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Jan-Jul01	631.26		646.00		645.20		567.72		561.18		674.12		591.51		538.20		538.71		488.44		543.58	
Jan-Jul02	648.22		663.73		680.25		584.55		569.95		690.09		605.65		543.27		552.50		509.94		561.20	
% Change	2.7		2.7		5.4		3.0		1.6		2.4		2.4		0.9		2.6		4.4		3.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																						
1993																						
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75	1.2	17.10	1.4	15.14	2.6	13.71	1.6	14.00	1.4	16.45	0.9	15.45	1.0	13.09	1.6	13.20	2.6	11.92	1.2	12.98	-0.8
1999	16.14	2.5	17.26	0.9	15.75	4.0	14.17	3.4	14.44	3.1	16.98	3.2	15.70	1.6	13.30	1.6	13.41	1.6	12.23	2.6	13.02	0.3
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2001 Jan	17.06	2.8	17.78	1.7	16.72	2.0	15.06	3.3	15.78	5.9	17.95	3.3	16.50	1.8	14.54	4.2	14.69	6.6	13.49	5.6	14.20	5.5
Feb	17.13	3.6	17.80	2.2	16.85	3.6	15.26	4.4	15.50	4.1	18.09	4.3	16.54	2.9	14.56	4.0	14.57	5.7	13.52	4.5	14.35	3.5
Mar	17.16	3.6	18.00	2.3	16.83	3.8	15.19	4.5	15.50	5.0	18.11	4.1	16.53	3.0	14.44	2.5	14.58	5.3	13.41	5.0	14.43	4.2
Apr	17.26	3.4	18.04	2.1	17.14	4.8	15.46	5.9	15.55	5.6	18.18	3.4	16.63	2.7	14.40	1.8	14.60	4.4	13.40	5.2	14.52	5.1
May	17.19	3.9	18.09	3.2	17.08	5.6	15.34	5.6	15.23	4.5	18.13	3.5	16.63	4.5	13.99	0.3	14.22	1.9	12.99	4.9	14.20	4.1
Jun	17.09	3.8	17.99	2.9	16.97	5.8	15.34	5.8	15.18	3.6	18.03	3.0	16.56	5.1	13.82	1.2	14.24	2.7	12.75	2.9	14.13	4.7
Jul	16.89	3.2	17.68	1.8	16.89	5.6	15.18	4.3	14.84	1.5	17.92	2.9	16.25	4.0	13.80	2.1	14.17	3.1	12.56	3.3	13.62	4.3
Aug	16.95	2.7	17.59	0.6	16.81	5.2	15.15	3.6	15.01	3.0	17.99	2.6	16.41	3.1	13.76	1.0	14.27	3.9	12.62	4.9	13.89	3.9
Sep	17.28	2.8	17.95	1.0	17.13	5.3	15.47	4.8	15.13	-0.1	18.33	2.8	16.72	2.8	14.10	0.9	14.63	4.5	13.10	6.4	14.47	4.6
Oct	17.30	2.7	18.01	1.1	17.41	5.6	15.56	4.4	15.04	-2.0	18.28	3.0	16.70	2.5	14.09	-0.6	14.52	3.3	13.48	6.1	14.83	5.6
Nov	17.38	3.1	18.16	2.3	17.41	6.2	15.66	4.2	15.22	-1.7	18.38	3.4	16.73	2.8	14.22	0.2	14.55	2.3	13.80	6.3	14.77	6.1
Dec	17.47	3.4	18.07	2.3	17.60	6.5	15.66	3.8	15.29	-1.7	18.49	3.6	16.87	3.8	14.38	-0.2	14.44	0.8	13.88	6.0	14.52	3.8
2002 Jan	17.61	3.2	18.33	3.1	17.61	5.3	15.76	4.6	15.42	-2.3	18.61	3.7	16.98	2.9	14.49	-0.3	14.76	0.5	14.18	5.1	14.90	4.9
Feb	17.66	3.1	18.46	3.7	17.78	5.5	15.81	3.6	15.51	0.1	18.66	3.2	16.92	2.3	14.55	-0.1	14.82	1.7	13.97	3.3	14.87	3.6
Mar	17.69	3.1	18.50	2.8	18.09	7.5	15.90	4.7	15.62	0.8	18.62	2.8	16.94	2.5	14.58	1.0	14.66	0.5	14.04	4.7	15.02	4.1
Apr	17.73	2.7	18.60	3.1	18.13	5.8	15.90	2.8	15.65	0.6	18.61	2.4	17.07	2.6	14.57	1.2	14.76	1.1	14.00	4.5	15.03	3.5
May	17.61	2.4	18.58	2.7	17.96	5.2	15.82	3.1	15.63	2.6	18.48	1.9	16.97	2.0	14.32	2.4	14.67	3.2	13.53	4.2	14.85	4.6
Jun	17.56	2.8	18.44	2.5	18.01	6.1	15.81	3.1	15.81	4.2	18.46	2.4	16.87	1.9	14.23	3.0	14.58	2.4	13.19	3.5	14.63	3.5
Jul	17.38	2.9	18.31	3.6	17.78	5.3	15.70	3.4	15.72	5.9	18.26	1.9	16.71	2.8	14.22	3.0	14.58	2.9	12.87	2.5	13.91	2.1
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Average:																						
Jan-Jul01	17.11		17.91		16.93		15.26		15.37		18.06		16.52		14.22		14.44		13.16		14.21	
Jan-Jul02	17.61		18.46		17.91		15.81		15.62		18.53		16.92		14.42		14.69		13.68		14.74	
% Change	2.9		3.1		5.8		3.6		1.7		2.6		2.4		1.4		1.7		4.0		3.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1992	12,760.0		1,620.3		1,284.1		448.5		502.2		4,948.9		3,041.5		297.1		370.4		53.5		193.5	
1993	12,857.5	0.8	1,675.9	3.4	1,294.8	0.8	450.8	0.5	506.5	0.9	4,973.8	0.5	3,039.9	-0.1	301.5	1.5	367.9	-0.7	54.4	1.7	191.9	-0.8
1994	13,111.7	2.0	1,754.0	4.7	1,331.6	2.8	455.7	1.1	509.5	0.6	5,039.2	1.3	3,100.6	2.0	300.2	-0.4	373.3	1.5	55.4	1.8	192.2	0.2
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2001 Jan	14,680.1	2.0	1,900.6	0.2	1,591.2	3.0	470.0	-0.9	545.1	1.5	5,851.5	3.2	3,349.8	1.0	320.9	3.2	400.8	-0.5	59.1	1.2	190.9	1.3
Feb	14,726.8	1.5	1,925.9	0.1	1,603.4	2.7	463.9	-2.8	546.9	1.3	5,836.8	2.3	3,378.5	1.2	313.2	0.7	406.9	1.4	60.4	2.7	191.1	1.2
Mar	14,764.0	1.5	1,947.6	1.6	1,597.5	1.8	466.8	-2.4	548.2	0.9	5,848.8	2.1	3,387.0	1.2	309.4	-0.6	404.6	-0.4	61.1	2.3	193.1	1.6
Apr	14,865.5	1.6	1,936.1	1.0	1,606.8	2.8	465.4	-2.6	549.1	-0.3	5,913.6	2.5	3,409.4	1.1	318.0	0.5	408.0	-0.4	60.7	-0.3	198.3	3.0
May	15,226.4	1.4	1,986.4	1.3	1,648.6	2.8	475.0	-4.3	561.6	0.2	6,029.7	2.4	3,481.4	0.2	336.4	0.2	421.8	-0.6	69.1	0.4	216.3	5.2
Jun	15,391.1	1.2	1,984.8	0.2	1,670.3	3.7	481.5	-3.2	565.7	-0.2	6,059.4	2.0	3,547.0	0.3	350.2	0.2	433.4	0.0	72.6	3.1	226.5	5.3
Jul	15,455.8	1.2	1,981.3	1.2	1,659.6	3.8	487.1	-2.3	562.7	-0.2	6,072.9	1.3	3,588.9	0.7	353.0	-1.1	444.9	1.2	72.2	2.4	233.2	3.9
Aug	15,423.3	1.0	1,962.9	-0.9	1,656.7	3.2	490.5	-0.4	562.5	-0.9	6,086.2	1.2	3,566.1	1.1	356.9	-1.0	440.8	1.4	72.1	2.1	228.4	4.6
Sep	15,167.2	0.8	1,944.1	-1.2	1,642.3	2.8	474.2	-2.6	563.8	0.3	5,950.3	0.8	3,528.6	1.5	345.6	-0.9	429.7	1.8	69.0	0.9	219.7	2.7
Oct	15,147.5	0.7	1,923.4	-2.2	1,638.6	2.6	469.9	-3.3	565.4	1.4	5,964.4	0.4	3,523.1	2.2	344.1	0.0	434.4	3.1	67.4	2.6	216.8	3.3
Nov	15,082.9	0.5	1,915.7	-2.0	1,637.2	2.2	464.6	-3.4	562.4	1.8	5,980.9	0.2	3,481.0	1.7	335.8	-0.5	428.6	2.8	64.1	5.1	212.6	2.3
Dec	14,990.4	0.1	1,899.6	-3.1	1,632.7	1.8	459.2	-3.1	560.9	1.7	5,958.3	0.2	3,453.6	0.9	329.8	-0.3	425.2	0.6	62.4	1.8	208.7	4.6
2002 Jan	14,796.7	0.8	1,899.6	-0.1	1,627.3	2.3	458.7	-2.4	553.7	1.6	5,863.3	0.2	3,407.5	1.7	321.4	0.2	410.0	2.3	59.7	1.0	195.5	2.4
Feb	14,860.2	0.9	1,903.7	-1.2	1,623.3	1.2	464.9	0.2	551.2	0.8	5,892.5	1.0	3,441.1	1.9	321.7	2.7	406.4	-0.1	60.6	0.3	194.8	1.9
Mar	14,980.1	1.5	1,920.6	-1.4	1,639.3	2.6	465.7	-0.2	559.6	2.1	5,914.1	1.1	3,483.6	2.9	326.8	5.6	410.1	1.4	61.5	0.7	198.8	3.0
Apr	15,095.1	1.5	1,938.1	0.1	1,631.6	1.5	464.3	-0.2	557.0	1.4	5,953.9	0.7	3,534.7	3.7	331.3	4.2	415.5	1.8	64.0	5.4	204.7	3.2
May	15,469.0	1.6	1,961.8	-1.2	1,670.0	1.3	486.1	2.3	568.9	1.3	6,076.7	0.8	3,634.6	4.4	349.2	3.8	434.9	3.1	70.2	1.6	216.5	0.1
Jun	15,723.9	2.2	2,010.7	1.3	1,698.8	1.7	494.3	2.7	580.6	2.6	6,128.5	1.1	3,707.2	4.5	360.3	2.9	441.2	1.8	72.7	0.1	229.5	1.3
Jul	15,810.9	2.3	2,023.0	2.1	1,718.7	3.6	494.2	1.5	576.9	2.5	6,154.5	1.3	3,724.1	3.8	364.2	3.2	442.5	-0.5	72.3	0.1	240.7	3.2
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Average:																						
Jan-Jul01	15,015.7		1,951.8		1,625.3		472.8		554.2		5,944.7		3,448.9		328.7		417.2		65.0		207.1	
Jan-Jul02	15,248.0		1,951.1		1,658.4		475.5		564.0		5,997.6		3,561.8		339.3		422.9		65.9		211.5	
% Change	1.5		0.0		2.0		0.6		1.8		0.9		3.3		3.2		1.4		1.3		2.1	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992	33.3		33.0		34.7		34.9		33.2		33.3		32.6		33.9		33.4		33.8		33.1	
1993	33.8	1.5	33.2	0.6	34.9	0.6	35.1	0.6	33.7	1.5	33.9	1.8	33.2	1.8	34.3	1.2	33.6	0.6	33.8	0.0	32.8	-0.9
1994	34.2	1.2	33.2	0.0	35.6	2.0	35.6	1.4	34.1	1.2	34.3	1.2	33.9	2.1	35.0	2.0	34.0	1.2	34.7	2.7	33.2	1.2
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2001 Jan	34.6	0.9	33.3	0.6	36.0	2.9	34.2	2.1	34.1	0.6	35.2	1.1	34.0	0.0	35.3	2.0	33.6	-0.6	34.5	3.0	34.8	4.8
Feb	34.6	0.3	33.3	0.0	36.1	2.3	33.9	-2.0	33.8	-1.5	35.2	0.6	33.9	-1.2	34.6	0.0	33.9	0.6	32.9	-1.2	33.1	-1.2
Mar	33.9	0.0	33.7	0.9	37.0	2.5	34.9	0.0	34.3	-2.3	32.9	-0.3	34.1	-1.7	34.8	-1.4	32.1	2.2	33.0	1.5	34.1	0.9
Apr	32.9	-6.5	31.0	-9.1	33.9	-5.6	32.4	-9.2	33.3	-4.9	34.0	-4.5	31.5	-9.2	33.2	-6.7	33.1	-4.6	32.5	-6.1	31.5	-8.2
May	35.3	-0.8	33.1	-1.8	36.6	-0.3	37.7	-2.3	35.6	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	34.5	-1.1	35.8	-1.6	35.7	0.8	37.5	-1.8	36.5	0.6
Jun	35.4	-0.8	33.3	-2.1	36.9	1.4	36.5	0.8	35.4	0.6	35.7	-1.1	34.7	-1.4	36.6	-0.5	36.2	0.3	37.7	-2.3	38.0	0.8
Jul	31.1	-4.3	31.1	-4.6	34.1	1.5	33.0	0.3	31.7	-4.5	32.8	0.3	26.0	-15.9	33.2	-2.1	32.3	-3.9	35.4	-0.6	34.2	-0.6
Aug	32.2	-1.8	30.0	-5.4	34.5	1.2	34.6	0.6	32.7	-3.0	32.5	-1.8	31.2	-1.3	33.4	-3.7	32.3	1.9	34.6	-1.4	32.7	-2.7
Sep	35.1	-0.8	32.9	-3.5	36.6	-0.5	36.5	-5.2	35.9	-1.9	35.4	-0.8	34.5	0.9	36.0	-2.2	35.5	0.0	37.8	3.3	36.3	-2.2
Oct	31.0	-8.3	29.4	-9.0	33.0	-6.8	32.9	-4.1	31.6	-2.8	31.0	-9.4	30.3	-7.9	33.3	-6.7	32.1	-6.4	34.0	-3.4	32.8	-8.1
Nov	34.6	-0.9	32.3	-3.3	36.5	0.8	35.4	5.7	35.2	2.3	34.9	-1.7	34.1	-1.2	35.2	0.3	34.3	-0.6	34.9	-2.8	35.2	0.0
Dec	34.7	-0.9	32.7	-2.7	36.7	0.8	34.8	0.6	34.8	1.2	35.1	-1.1	33.9	-1.5	35.4	-2.7	35.1	0.0	35.0	-2.0	35.0	-1.4
2002 Jan	34.1	-1.4	32.7	-1.8	35.4	-1.7	34.1	-0.3	34.1	0.0	34.7	-1.4	33.3	-2.1	34.9	-1.1	33.8	0.6	32.8	-4.9	33.6	-3.4
Feb	34.0	-1.7	32.7	-1.8	34.8	-3.6	34.3	1.2	33.8	0.0	34.6	-1.7	33.3	-1.8	34.4	-0.6	33.9	0.0	32.8	-0.3	33.4	0.9
Mar	33.4	-1.5	32.9	-2.4	35.7	-3.5	34.6	-0.9	34.1	-0.6	32.7	-0.6	33.6	-1.5	34.4	-1.1	31.7	-1.2	32.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3
Apr	34.7	5.5	33.1	6.8	35.8	5.6	35.3	9.0	34.7	4.2	35.2	3.5	34.2	8.6	35.1	5.7	34.1	3.0	34.6	6.5	34.6	9.8
May	34.9	-1.1	33.4	0.9	35.9	-1.9	37.4	-0.8	34.6	-2.8	35.1	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	35.8	0.0	34.9	-2.2	37.9	1.1	35.6	-2.5
Jun	35.2	-0.6	33.4	0.3	36.2	-1.9	35.7	-2.2	34.6	-2.3	35.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	36.2	-1.1	35.7	-1.4	38.7	2.7	37.5	-1.3
Jul	31.0	-0.3	31.4	1.0	33.4	-2.1	32.6	-1.2	31.5	-0.6	32.2	-1.8	26.4	1.5	33.5	0.9	33.0	2.2	34.8	-1.7	33.7	-1.5
Aug																						
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Average:																						
Jan-Jul01	34.0		32.7		35.8		34.7		34.0		34.5		32.7		34.8		33.8		34.8		34.6	
Jan-Jul02	33.9		32.8		35.3		34.9		33.9		34.3		32.8		34.9		33.9		34.9		34.6	
% Change	-0.2		0.3		-1.4		0.6		-0.3		-0.6		0.4		0.3		0.1		0.4		0.1	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1992									377.6		1,194.9					
	1993									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1994									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1995									401.6	4.4	1,352.4	4.7				
	1996									405.4	0.9	1,386.9	2.6				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	3.1	1,451.2	4.6	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32	2.9	581.06	0.6	18.96	2.5	16.58	0.9	408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0	-0.8	31.5	-1.6
	1999	760.87	1.1	590.55	1.6	19.16	1.1	16.77	1.1	396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2	0.6	31.5	0.0
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
2001	Jan	788.93	4.3	604.79	1.4	19.95	3.7	17.25	1.1	381.3	-3.8	1,519.3	1.3	36.9	3.7	32.3	-0.3
	Feb	794.18	3.9	606.14	2.5	19.77	2.1	17.32	2.4	387.2	-3.3	1,538.6	0.9	37.3	4.8	32.3	-0.9
	Mar	796.10	1.7	614.34	3.7	19.78	-0.2	17.56	3.1	396.0	-1.0	1,551.5	2.2	37.5	2.2	32.8	0.6
	Apr	776.15	0.4	618.89	2.9	19.55	0.1	17.67	2.7	395.1	-0.7	1,541.0	1.5	33.5	-11.6	30.3	-8.5
	May	765.24	1.8	620.57	2.6	19.39	2.2	17.76	3.6	402.7	-5.1	1,583.7	3.0	37.6	2.7	32.0	-2.7
	Jun	770.58	2.5	618.97	3.4	19.28	2.2	17.66	3.3	406.3	-5.4	1,578.5	1.7	38.2	0.0	32.1	-2.4
	Jul	765.83	0.9	605.51	0.7	18.99	0.4	17.34	2.5	413.9	-4.7	1,567.4	2.9	37.1	-1.9	29.5	-5.4
	Aug	763.61	1.0	611.06	0.0	18.96	0.2	17.24	0.9	410.3	-6.3	1,552.6	0.6	35.1	-1.7	28.6	-6.2
	Sep	786.77	4.0	610.12	-1.4	19.64	2.5	17.52	0.6	402.1	-6.4	1,542.0	0.2	37.2	-2.4	31.8	-3.6
	Oct	781.60	0.9	609.99	-0.6	19.81	2.1	17.57	1.2	388.1	-7.8	1,535.4	-0.7	32.1	-11.1	28.7	-8.0
	Nov	801.69	3.1	616.21	1.1	20.32	4.4	17.66	2.0	367.7	-8.3	1,548.1	-0.4	36.0	-2.2	31.4	-3.4
	Dec	795.93	3.0	609.90	0.9	20.25	3.8	17.59	2.2	352.9	-12.0	1,546.6	-0.8	36.4	-2.9	31.9	-2.1
2002	Jan	798.95	1.3	623.16	3.0	20.19	1.2	17.90	3.8	361.8	-5.1	1,537.8	1.2	35.9	-2.7	32.0	-0.9
	Feb	813.58	2.4	618.75	2.1	20.66	4.5	17.94	3.6	365.8	-5.5	1,537.9	0.0	36.2	-2.9	31.8	-1.5
	Mar	821.68	3.2	625.82	1.9	20.74	4.9	17.97	2.3	373.0	-5.8	1,547.6	-0.3	36.2	-3.5	32.0	-2.4
	Apr	809.16	4.3	634.44	2.5	20.44	4.6	18.16	2.8	376.6	-4.7	1,561.4	1.3	36.5	9.0	32.3	6.6
	May	805.43	5.3	637.07	2.7	20.17	4.0	18.18	2.4	390.1	-3.1	1,571.7	-0.8	38.0	1.1	32.3	0.9
	Jun	778.65	1.0	641.44	3.6	19.66	2.0	18.13	2.7	406.2	0.0	1,604.6	1.7	37.9	-0.8	32.3	0.6
	Jul	754.75	-1.4	639.21	5.6	19.00	0.1	18.12	4.5	424.7	2.6	1,598.3	2.0	36.2	-2.4	30.2	2.4
	Aug																
	Sep																
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
Jan-Jul01		779.57		612.74		19.53		17.51		397.5		1,554.3		36.9		31.6	
Jan-Jul02		797.46		631.41		20.12		18.06		385.5		1,565.6		36.7		31.8	
% Change		2.3		3.0		3.0		3.1		-3.0		0.7		-0.5		0.7	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2A **B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE**

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992												
1993												
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32	2.9	448.40	6.7	899.96	0.6	966.88	8.4	745.78	1.8	726.71	6.3
1999	760.87	1.1	523.44	16.7	943.85	4.9	912.70	-5.6	752.92	1.0	703.72	-3.2
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2001 Jan	788.93	4.3	470.29	3.6	1015.37	11.2	909.84	2.7	755.18	0.7	802.05	10.3
Feb	794.18	3.9	495.95	9.0	1004.58	5.4	889.17	-4.7	767.81	0.8	813.55	18.1
Mar	796.10	1.7	513.23	8.3	1025.81	6.5	915.59	-7.8	774.73	0.6	804.83	12.4
Apr	776.15	0.4	491.87	-0.8	978.49	2.3	951.46	-8.3	764.58	2.0	779.27	6.0
May	765.24	1.8	467.76	19.8	918.19	1.1	970.80	-3.8	743.04	1.7	788.73	6.7
Jun	770.58	2.5	475.66	6.1	1003.28	9.2	979.47	-1.5	735.04	0.4	783.24	9.6
Jul	765.83	0.9	427.91	3.7	959.35	3.7	1003.40	4.6	745.81	0.9	766.74	1.7
Aug	763.61	1.0	465.65	18.1	959.37	1.9	1056.76	11.5	732.57	-1.8	771.70	3.7
Sep	786.77	4.0	468.37	10.2	959.33	0.3	940.34	3.2	761.45	2.6	807.73	10.1
Oct	781.60	0.9	431.63	-2.2	964.37	1.1	924.34	5.9	771.24	2.0	766.43	-1.3
Nov	801.69	3.1	411.48	-4.7	1015.24	4.2	914.15	0.5	790.16	4.2	794.74	6.7
Dec	795.93	3.0	440.55	-26.2	950.54	-4.4	874.54	-8.2	788.56	6.4	802.55	7.6
2002 Jan	798.95	1.3	489.49	4.1	951.45	-6.3	874.00	-3.9	789.33	4.5	792.22	-1.2
Feb	813.58	2.4	520.51	5.0	932.22	-7.2	892.72	0.4	816.32	6.3	791.98	-2.7
Mar	821.68	3.2	515.04	0.4	955.68	-6.8	926.92	1.2	813.03	4.9	826.41	2.7
Apr	809.16	4.3	512.53	4.2	973.68	-0.5	898.32	-5.6	793.99	3.8	828.50	6.3
May	805.43	5.3	495.66	6.0	966.76	5.3	1024.55	5.5	787.18	5.9	822.50	4.3
Jun	778.65	1.0	429.50	-9.7	959.57	-4.4	1050.06	7.2	759.60	3.3	793.75	1.3
Jul	754.75	-1.4	435.51	1.8	915.05	-4.6	1043.49	4.0	741.36	-0.6	767.59	0.1
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul01	779.57		477.52		986.44		945.68		755.17		791.20	
Jan-Jul02	797.46		485.46		950.63		958.58		785.83		803.28	
% Change	2.3		1.7		-3.6		1.4		4.1		1.5	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																				
1993																				
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06	0.6	719.69	3.0	480.92	-1.5	628.57	6.8	748.58	2.7	723.86	-1.8	609.43	1.2	327.95	4.0	765.87	-2.5	618.35	1.3
1999	590.55	1.6	732.75	1.8	501.74	4.3	621.67	-1.1	772.66	3.2	734.84	1.5	621.61	2.0	318.19	-3.0	790.98	3.3	625.22	1.1
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2001 Jan	604.79	1.4	749.64	7.8	480.95	-3.8	681.55	4.6	754.33	1.2	736.53	0.5	658.42	5.0	351.52	32.9	813.62	0.5	640.63	2.0
Feb	606.14	2.5	763.82	8.7	479.90	-2.5	685.07	9.9	796.98	8.5	736.56	-1.4	659.65	5.0	344.29	30.4	814.90	3.4	643.13	2.7
Mar	614.34	3.7	810.49	17.4	473.11	-2.2	676.05	4.1	842.09	10.5	729.12	-1.2	665.12	8.1	341.43	28.5	847.54	5.7	650.17	3.1
Apr	618.89	2.9	795.55	9.2	469.97	-2.5	689.14	-1.7	822.04	5.7	747.73	-0.8	667.36	11.2	348.87	33.6	849.12	3.2	650.42	2.3
May	620.57	2.6	782.54	9.1	485.00	2.2	673.44	-4.6	836.78	8.1	747.12	-5.3	661.57	7.6	361.93	31.8	808.35	-2.8	649.78	2.2
Jun	618.97	3.4	772.38	5.1	497.99	4.4	683.86	-4.5	795.95	3.8	747.92	-2.0	662.06	7.7	351.31	28.7	816.41	-1.5	649.40	2.8
Jul	605.51	0.7	759.65	2.4	489.71	1.5	689.89	-5.5	779.67	-0.8	761.08	-3.0	640.76	1.5	355.65	34.8	813.90	1.2	638.50	0.4
Aug	611.06	0.0	770.76	3.6	513.91	3.9	706.24	0.6	777.28	-3.2	764.98	-6.6	655.40	3.2	357.63	32.0	815.58	-0.4	642.30	-0.1
Sep	610.12	-1.4	738.51	0.6	495.80	-1.0	699.38	5.7	758.69	-6.8	756.19	-4.2	660.41	-1.7	355.65	31.3	795.81	-3.4	645.68	-0.4
Oct	609.99	-0.6	773.62	2.4	487.67	-2.1	679.23	4.3	790.48	-1.7	730.63	-2.8	665.44	0.2	338.09	27.5	817.05	-0.6	643.68	-0.7
Nov	616.21	1.1	776.71	0.7	488.06	-1.2	670.31	2.9	861.92	12.3	722.89	-4.8	666.74	4.4	314.09	20.3	834.60	3.3	650.84	1.2
Dec	609.90	0.9	741.41	-1.5	471.17	-4.6	646.81	-3.0	875.95	15.2	742.48	-4.1	662.88	2.1	321.89	23.1	864.57	7.7	643.66	0.9
2002 Jan	623.16	3.0	755.01	0.7	488.11	1.5	655.80	-3.8	803.66	6.5	764.20	3.8	676.78	2.8	331.35	-5.7	862.08	6.0	656.05	2.4
Feb	618.75	2.1	782.19	2.4	469.93	-2.1	699.41	2.1	833.33	4.6	752.47	2.2	664.59	0.7	321.29	-6.7	904.92	11.0	656.21	2.0
Mar	625.82	1.9	791.23	-2.4	502.66	6.2	700.09	3.6	826.84	-1.8	770.87	5.7	691.16	3.9	331.81	-2.8	903.14	6.6	663.44	2.0
Apr	634.44	2.5	809.53	1.8	500.59	6.5	722.65	4.9	853.03	3.8	788.85	5.5	690.85	3.5	341.53	-2.1	893.43	5.2	668.06	2.7
May	637.07	2.7	823.73	5.3	506.01	4.3	724.02	7.5	840.63	0.5	787.63	5.4	686.57	3.8	351.20	-3.0	873.71	8.1	670.27	3.2
Jun	641.44	3.6	804.53	4.2	517.76	4.0	748.48	9.4	814.77	2.4	756.27	1.1	690.90	4.4	366.38	4.3	876.11	7.3	668.57	3.0
Jul	639.21	5.6	816.41	7.5	521.59	6.5	741.18	7.4	815.94	4.7	792.86	4.2	687.81	7.3	336.57	-5.4	901.52	10.8	663.53	3.9
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul01	612.74		776.30		482.38		682.71		803.98		743.72		659.28		350.71		8[illegible]3.41		646.00	
Jan-Jul02	631.41		797.52		500.95		713.09		826.89		773.31		684.09		340.02		887.84		663.73	
% Change	3.0		2.7		3.9		4.4		2.8		4.0		3.8		-3.0		7.8		2.7	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3A ***B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE***

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992												
1993												
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96	2.5	12.03	4.8	21.20	-1.0	25.27	7.2	18.88	2.3	18.59	4.4
1999	19.16	1.1	13.77	14.5	21.91	3.3	24.03	-4.9	19.06	1.0	18.20	-2.1
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2001 Jan	19.95	3.7	12.77	-2.1	24.34	10.7	24.27	6.6	19.34	1.1	19.87	6.5
Feb	19.77	2.1	12.41	0.0	23.30	2.1	24.31	-0.5	19.35	1.0	20.10	9.4
Mar	19.78	-0.2	13.00	6.1	23.32	2.2	24.67	-5.9	19.26	-0.7	20.56	6.6
Apr	19.55	0.1	12.51	3.9	22.75	-2.5	25.12	-5.8	19.26	1.7	19.99	4.3
May	19.39	2.2	11.80	8.0	22.21	0.8	25.58	-1.2	18.94	2.9	20.00	5.0
Jun	19.28	2.2	11.21	4.8	22.37	2.1	25.69	0.7	18.61	0.9	20.12	8.2
Jul	18.99	0.4	10.92	8.8	21.53	-2.0	25.79	4.7	18.75	0.8	19.24	0.9
Aug	18.96	0.2	11.78	22.2	22.21	-1.4	25.84	7.3	18.47	-2.0	19.32	2.6
Sep	19.64	2.5	12.26	17.5	22.95	-3.0	24.36	2.8	19.19	2.2	19.98	5.7
Oct	19.81	2.1	11.46	-5.0	23.59	2.4	23.91	4.5	19.52	2.6	19.71	1.6
Nov	20.32	4.4	11.72	3.7	23.60	2.6	23.44	-4.7	20.17	5.0	20.48	10.6
Dec	20.25	3.8	11.60	-19.3	23.16	-2.7	24.00	-5.0	20.05	5.8	20.53	9.1
2002 Jan	20.19	1.2	12.30	-3.7	22.39	-8.0	23.27	-4.1	19.78	2.3	20.93	5.3
Feb	20.66	4.5	13.48	8.6	21.56	-7.5	23.65	-2.7	20.76	7.3	20.72	3.1
Mar	20.74	4.9	13.48	3.7	21.92	-6.0	25.31	2.6	20.54	6.6	21.44	4.3
Apr	20.44	4.6	13.91	11.2	23.16	1.8	24.00	-4.5	20.09	4.3	21.04	5.3
May	20.17	4.0	12.87	9.1	22.55	1.5	26.46	3.4	19.82	4.6	20.74	3.7
Jun	19.66	2.0	11.46	2.2	22.81	2.0	26.85	4.5	19.34	3.9	19.99	-0.6
Jul	19.00	0.1	11.18	2.4	21.16	-1.7	27.53	6.7	18.92	0.9	19.23	-0.1
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul01	19.53		12.09		22.83		25.06		19.07		19.98	
Jan-Jul02	20.12		12.67		22.22		25.30		19.89		20.58	
% Change	3.0		4.8		-2.7		0.9		4.3		3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1992																				
1993																				
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58	0.9	18.64	2.6	13.57	0.1	17.22	6.9	19.59	3.0	22.16	-1.6	18.65	1.0	10.40	3.0	20.92	-1.1	17.10	1.4
1999	16.77	1.1	19.00	1.9	14.07	3.7	17.02	-1.2	20.39	4.1	21.94	-1.0	18.89	1.3	10.27	-1.3	21.54	3.0	17.26	0.9
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2001 Jan	17.25	1.1	19.13	5.2	13.77	-4.0	18.68	5.4	20.06	3.1	22.45	0.5	19.98	5.6	11.10	6.2	21.84	-0.7	17.78	1.7
Feb	17.32	2.4	19.45	5.9	13.97	-1.4	19.06	11.7	20.61	6.6	22.44	-0.5	20.00	5.1	11.01	2.9	22.11	3.9	17.80	2.2
Mar	17.56	3.1	20.49	11.8	13.81	-1.4	18.65	3.8	21.39	7.0	22.80	-0.5	20.30	7.8	11.13	2.9	22.46	4.1	18.00	2.3
Apr	17.67	2.7	20.78	10.5	13.86	0.4	18.71	-1.3	21.57	5.0	23.07	-3.3	20.29	9.6	10.97	1.6	22.60	2.0	18.04	2.1
May	17.76	3.6	20.33	10.3	13.85	2.4	18.68	-1.3	22.14	6.4	22.94	-3.1	20.20	7.2	11.44	5.0	22.51	1.4	18.09	3.2
Jun	17.66	3.3	20.30	7.7	14.14	3.7	18.62	-1.4	21.31	6.1	22.54	-2.5	20.04	5.0	11.15	4.7	22.57	0.8	17.99	2.9
Jul	17.34	2.5	20.18	8.3	13.97	3.4	18.62	-3.6	21.48	3.6	22.51	-4.5	19.82	2.6	10.96	3.8	22.62	4.3	17.68	1.8
Aug	17.24	0.9	20.02	7.5	14.41	4.3	18.85	-1.3	20.97	1.0	21.90	-7.5	20.03	4.2	10.73	-0.2	22.38	1.8	17.59	0.6
Sep	17.52	0.6	19.63	5.5	13.96	-0.5	19.15	3.6	20.73	-2.3	22.92	-1.5	20.37	2.2	10.97	0.0	22.32	1.7	17.95	1.0
Oct	17.57	1.2	20.33	6.6	13.77	-3.2	18.56	3.2	21.35	2.8	22.90	1.6	20.29	1.4	10.79	-2.5	22.43	2.4	18.01	1.1
Nov	17.66	2.0	19.92	3.2	13.96	-0.9	18.45	2.0	22.62	13.8	22.24	-3.1	20.40	4.0	10.65	-6.0	22.69	5.2	18.16	2.3
Dec	17.59	2.2	19.07	-0.7	13.76	-3.2	17.63	-3.2	22.79	14.6	23.10	2.2	20.34	3.4	10.75	-2.8	23.60	9.6	18.07	2.3
2002 Jan	17.90	3.8	19.39	1.4	14.28	3.7	17.92	-4.1	21.09	5.1	23.57	5.0	20.72	3.7	10.81	-2.6	23.35	6.9	18.33	3.1
Feb	17.94	3.6	20.13	3.5	13.74	-1.6	18.99	-0.4	21.80	5.8	23.76	5.9	20.40	2.0	10.97	-0.4	24.20	9.5	18.46	3.7
Mar	17.97	2.3	19.71	-3.8	14.50	5.0	19.41	4.1	22.14	3.5	23.45	2.9	20.63	1.6	11.12	-0.1	24.24	7.9	18.50	2.8
Apr	18.16	2.8	20.41	-1.8	14.42	4.0	19.64	5.0	22.64	5.0	23.78	3.1	20.77	2.4	11.22	2.3	24.17	6.9	18.60	3.1
May	18.18	2.4	20.45	0.6	14.53	4.9	19.60	4.9	22.26	0.5	23.79	3.7	20.88	3.4	11.45	0.1	23.58	4.8	18.58	2.7
Jun	18.13	2.7	20.50	1.0	14.53	2.8	20.06	7.7	21.71	1.9	22.19	-1.6	21.07	5.1	11.76	5.5	23.58	4.5	18.44	2.5
Jul	18.12	4.5	20.28	0.5	14.76	5.7	20.69	11.1	21.93	2.1	22.79	1.2	21.17	6.8	11.09	1.2	24.04	6.3	18.31	3.6
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul01	17.51		20.09		13.91		18.72		21.22		22.68		20.09		11.11		22.39		17.91	
Jan-Jul02	18.06		20.12		14.39		19.47		21.94		23.33		20.81		11.20		23.88		18.46	
% Change	3.1		0.1		3.5		4.0		3.4		2.9		3.6		0.8		6.7		3.1	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing: Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied		Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1992	372.0		30.5		26.9		5.1		16.2		167.7		20.8		45.9		20.7		114.3	
1993	384.5	3.4	34.3	12.5	25.8	-4.1	6.3	23.5	12.3	-24.1	179.2	6.9	22.2	6.7	49.2	7.2	21.6	4.3	114.2	-0.1
1994	401.6	4.4	30.7	-10.5	30.7	19.0	6.2	-1.6	12.0	-2.4	183.7	2.5	26.8	20.7	49.7	1.0	21.0	-2.8	125.6	10.0
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2001 Jan	381.3	-3.8	20.6	-22.0	30.2	0.7	2.5	-56.9	12.6	-14.9	207.8	3.3	27.1	20.4	51.2	31.3	12.5	-47.7	97.3	-9.2
Feb	387.2	-3.3	25.8	-1.5	29.3	-13.8	4.1	-16.3	10.6	-26.4	199.4	3.2	26.0	29.4	53.4	32.8	14.2	-30.7	107.4	-7.9
Mar	396.0	-1.0	26.3	0.8	24.2	-31.4	8.9	71.2	10.1	-32.2	203.8	3.5	29.5	59.5	54.2	29.7	14.5	-27.5	112.5	2.4
Apr	395.1	-0.7	27.0	3.4	21.2	-37.5	7.5	47.1	8.2	-42.3	203.9	2.0	28.8	22.6	49.1	16.9	15.8	-13.2	114.2	5.8
May	402.7	-5.1	24.3	-20.6	24.4	-40.6	8.0	37.9	10.1	-22.3	202.3	-2.6	29.6	20.3	50.5	14.5	17.8	3.5	120.3	5.4
Jun	406.3	-5.4	25.5	-22.7	23.7	-44.0	6.5	8.3	11.8	-8.5	202.7	-3.7	30.3	17.4	47.6	-2.7	18.7	19.9	123.2	9.7
Jul	413.9	-4.7	28.2	-22.5	28.3	-36.7	5.9	18.0	11.1	-15.3	198.0	-2.7	25.3	4.1	51.8	14.9	17.9	4.7	129.5	10.5
Aug	410.3	-6.3	32.4	-22.3	30.3	-22.7	5.1	30.8	12.6	-17.1	196.5	-5.6	28.0	4.9	50.3	5.5	16.0	-4.2	120.4	2.8
Sep	402.1	-6.4	28.6	-12.8	29.5	-15.7	4.4	-13.7	14.6	10.6	196.2	-6.3	24.5	0.8	49.3	4.9	12.8	-22.0	117.0	-5.3
Oct	388.1	-7.8	26.1	-13.6	27.4	-30.1	3.5	-5.4	13.7	8.7	187.1	-13.5	24.3	1.3	47.1	-16.9	12.9	-23.2	118.4	9.3
Nov	367.7	-8.3	24.5	7.9	23.4	-35.9	4.3	7.5	13.1	11.0	177.2	-14.8	20.4	-20.0	42.9	-18.4	13.5	-17.2	114.6	5.4
Dec	352.9	-12.0	21.8	-12.1	21.4	-38.2	3.9	14.7	12.4	14.8	179.9	-14.4	20.4	-18.4	46.3	-13.3	13.8	-0.7	103.6	-3.6
2002 Jan	361.8	-5.1	21.8	5.8	21.3	-29.5	2.8	12.0	12.4	-1.6	179.8	-13.5	18.0	-33.6	41.9	-18.2	16.3	30.4	110.8	13.9
Feb	365.8	-5.5	20.9	-19.0	23.9	-18.4	1.7	-58.5	11.6	9.4	186.9	-6.3	21.5	-17.3	47.1	-11.8	17.6	23.9	109.7	2.1
Mar	373.0	-5.8	23.4	-11.0	25.0	3.3	2.1	-76.4	11.2	10.9	191.5	-6.0	20.2	-31.5	50.3	-7.2	21.1	45.5	107.5	-4.4
Apr	376.6	-4.7	24.9	-7.8	22.0	3.8	2.5	-66.7	9.3	13.4	194.8	-4.5	20.0	-30.6	48.4	-1.4	19.0	20.3	111.9	-2.0
May	390.1	-3.1	29.1	19.8	24.2	-0.8	2.3	-71.3	8.8	-12.9	192.1	-5.0	22.4	-24.3	48.3	-4.4	19.4	9.0	119.6	-0.6
Jun	406.2	0.0	32.8	28.6	23.1	-2.5	2.6	-60.0	9.6	-18.6	202.7	0.0	28.7	-5.3	44.8	-5.9	18.1	-3.2	121.7	-1.2
Jul	424.7	2.6	35.0	24.1	26.2	-7.4	3.0	-49.2	10.5	-5.4	207.5	4.8	32.9	30.0	45.1	-12.9	16.7	-6.7	129.8	0.2
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul01	397.5		25.4		25.9		6.2		10.6		202.6		28.1		51.1		15.9		114.9	
Jan-Jul02	385.5		26.8		23.7		2.4		10.5		193.6		23.4		46.6		18.3		115.9	
% Change	-3.0		5.7		-8.6		-60.8		-1.5		-4.4		-16.7		-8.9		15.1		0.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1992	1,248.3		100.5		265.2		109.3		674.1		106.1		162.9		130.8		99.3		1,620.3	
1993	1,291.4	3.5	100.6	0.1	275.2	3.8	113.9	4.2	700.4	3.9	112.6	6.1	164.3	0.9	121.4	-7.2	101.3	2.0	1,675.9	3.4
1994	1,352.4	4.7	99.1	-1.5	289.4	5.2	118.0	3.6	745.8	6.5	120.4	6.9	170.8	4.0	129.2	6.4	100.1	-1.2	1,754.0	4.7
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2001 Jan	1,519.3	1.3	105.3	-9.9	299.8	1.7	122.9	5.6	904.4	3.0	140.1	-2.5	194.1	-4.1	164.7	9.9	86.9	-7.7	1,900.6	0.2
Feb	1,538.6	0.9	105.9	-12.7	294.4	-2.0	122.8	5.1	928.5	3.8	144.3	0.6	188.3	-7.4	180.7	16.5	87.0	-4.7	1,925.9	0.1
Mar	1,551.5	2.2	111.1	-6.2	305.9	1.0	118.4	4.2	928.5	4.0	134.4	-5.5	205.1	0.5	175.7	14.1	87.6	-2.6	1,947.6	1.6
Apr	1,541.0	1.5	108.3	-9.1	298.1	-0.4	122.0	5.4	923.9	3.1	136.9	-0.6	198.7	-3.3	169.6	6.5	88.7	1.1	1,936.1	1.0
May	1,583.7	3.0	106.7	-12.6	313.7	4.7	118.3	0.5	948.6	4.3	138.5	3.7	209.6	1.8	177.0	4.1	96.4	9.3	1,986.4	1.3
Jun	1,578.5	1.7	106.7	-10.8	304.8	1.4	119.7	2.5	955.7	3.0	132.9	-2.4	211.4	2.5	169.9	0.7	91.5	4.3	1,984.8	0.2
Jul	1,567.4	2.9	107.7	-4.9	307.8	-1.4	115.4	-7.4	945.5	6.5	112.8	4.2	213.2	5.2	178.7	5.8	90.9	5.9	1,981.3	1.2
Aug	1,552.6	0.6	109.0	-4.5	315.0	1.2	118.4	-5.5	918.0	2.0	111.8	5.0	208.2	3.1	176.2	7.2	92.4	0.5	1,962.9	-0.9
Sep	1,542.0	0.2	111.1	1.3	313.1	4.2	111.0	-8.0	922.0	0.4	136.4	0.4	204.2	2.6	161.8	-4.9	84.7	-5.7	1,944.1	-1.2
Oct	1,535.4	-0.7	106.5	0.8	312.2	4.5	111.1	-4.0	921.4	-1.5	141.2	-0.4	197.2	-0.5	164.6	-5.8	84.0	-7.5	1,923.4	-2.2
Nov	1,548.1	-0.4	106.5	-1.0	325.1	5.5	106.2	-13.1	921.3	-0.6	150.0	2.7	203.0	3.7	156.8	-6.3	88.9	-0.9	1,915.7	-2.0
Dec	1,546.6	-0.8	98.2	-6.3	323.8	4.3	108.6	-15.5	929.9	0.4	149.2	4.3	212.2	5.6	171.5	3.6	86.3	-4.0	1,899.6	-3.1
2002 Jan	1,537.8	1.2	103.6	-1.6	303.4	1.2	115.6	-5.9	931.9	3.0	145.1	3.6	215.3	10.9	168.7	2.4	83.4	-4.0	1,899.6	-0.1
Feb	1,537.9	0.0	106.1	0.2	304.2	3.3	111.7	-9.0	937.3	0.9	142.2	-1.5	210.2	11.6	174.4	-3.5	78.6	-9.7	1,903.7	-1.2
Mar	1,547.6	-0.3	101.6	-8.6	299.3	-2.2	110.0	-7.1	954.3	2.8	142.9	6.3	211.4	3.1	180.8	2.9	82.3	-6.1	1,920.6	-1.4
Apr	1,561.4	1.3	104.4	-3.6	317.1	6.4	108.2	-11.3	953.0	3.1	147.7	7.9	216.3	8.9	179.9	6.1	78.9	-11.0	1,938.1	0.1
May	1,571.7	-0.8	107.7	0.9	321.8	2.6	111.5	-5.7	948.7	0.0	139.7	0.9	213.6	1.9	178.7	1.0	82.1	-14.8	1,961.8	-1.2
Jun	1,604.6	1.7	112.4	5.3	320.0	5.0	118.9	-0.7	967.8	1.3	143.6	8.1	218.7	3.5	176.7	4.0	85.4	-6.7	2,010.7	1.3
Jul	1,598.3	2.0	115.8	7.5	328.2	6.6	118.8	2.9	945.5	0.0	119.4	5.9	222.4	4.3	179.8	0.6	90.0	-1.0	2,023.0	2.1
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul01	1,554.3		107.4		303.5		119.9		933.6		134.3		202.9		173.8		89.9		1,951.8	
Jan-Jul02	1,565.6		107.4		313.4		113.5		948.4		140.1		215.4		177.0		83.0		1,951.1	
% Change	0.7		0.0		3.3		-5.3		1.6		4.3		6.2		1.9		-7.7		0.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992	36.0		42.9		37.7		33.3		35.3		34.9	
1993	36.8	2.2	39.6	-7.7	38.5	2.1	34.9	4.8	36.4	3.1	36.0	3.2
1994	36.8	0.0	37.0	-6.6	38.8	0.8	35.2	0.9	37.0	1.6	35.9	-0.3
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2001 Jan	36.9	3.7	39.0	46.6	35.9	5.6	39.4	6.8	37.0	-3.4	36.4	9.0
Feb	37.3	4.8	37.1	26.6	39.6	6.2	39.4	8.5	37.5	-1.1	35.8	10.8
Mar	37.5	2.2	39.3	17.0	39.7	1.8	40.0	6.4	37.1	-3.4	36.5	9.6
Apr	33.5	-11.6	38.8	-1.3	32.1	-7.0	32.5	-16.2	33.6	-14.5	32.8	-9.9
May	37.6	2.7	39.6	13.1	41.1	17.1	34.4	6.5	37.5	-1.6	36.7	2.5
Jun	38.2	0.0	43.3	3.8	44.3	9.1	35.8	0.8	37.7	-1.3	36.1	0.0
Jul	37.1	-1.9	41.2	0.5	38.3	-1.8	32.3	-15.2	37.0	-1.1	36.4	-0.8
Aug	35.1	-1.7	39.4	-6.6	36.7	0.3	35.9	8.8	34.4	-1.4	34.3	-1.7
Sep	37.2	-2.4	36.7	-14.3	41.3	6.2	34.1	0.9	36.9	-2.6	36.6	-2.1
Oct	32.1	-11.1	36.1	-7.0	31.3	-13.1	24.8	-15.9	32.6	-8.9	31.3	-15.2
Nov	36.0	-2.2	35.8	-1.9	34.7	-8.2	34.4	4.6	36.9	-0.5	35.2	-2.5
Dec	36.4	-2.9	34.5	-14.0	37.1	-0.3	30.3	-27.7	37.1	-1.6	35.9	-0.6
2002 Jan	35.9	-2.7	29.4	-24.6	39.1	8.9	35.5	-9.9	37.6	1.6	33.3	-8.5
Feb	36.2	-2.9	29.0	-21.8	40.4	2.0	33.8	-14.2	37.5	0.0	34.1	-4.7
Mar	36.2	-3.5	33.3	-15.3	41.4	4.3	34.7	-13.3	36.4	-1.9	34.9	-4.4
Apr	36.5	9.0	36.0	-7.2	34.9	8.7	33.2	2.2	37.0	10.1	36.6	11.6
May	38.0	1.1	38.5	-2.8	38.9	-5.4	37.4	8.7	38.3	2.1	37.0	0.8
Jun	37.9	-0.8	37.4	-13.6	38.1	-14.0	39.1	9.2	37.7	0.0	38.0	5.3
Jul	36.2	-2.4	39.1	-5.1	39.0	1.8	29.5	-8.7	35.0	-5.4	37.1	1.9
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul01	36.9		39.8		38.7		36.3		36.8		35.8	
Jan-Jul02	36.7		34.7		38.8		34.7		37.1		35.9	
% Change	-0.5		-12.8		0.3		-4.2		0.8		0.1	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1992	32.1		35.7		32.3		34.1		35.4		29.1		30.2		29.3		33.2		33.0	
1993	32.2	0.3	36.5	2.2	32.7	1.2	34.0	-0.3	35.2	-0.6	28.5	-2.1	29.2	-3.3	30.3	3.4	32.9	-0.9	33.2	0.6
1994	32.2	0.0	36.6	0.3	32.7	0.0	32.9	-3.2	35.1	-0.3	29.4	3.2	29.6	1.4	30.7	1.3	32.6	-0.9	33.2	0.0
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2001 Jan	32.3	-0.3	36.7	1.9	31.0	-2.8	33.2	-2.4	34.3	-4.7	33.6	6.3	30.6	-3.5	29.4	1.7	34.4	-0.9	33.3	0.6
Feb	32.3	-0.9	36.5	1.4	31.6	0.0	33.1	-4.1	35.7	-5.6	32.7	0.0	30.4	0.0	30.0	2.4	34.2	-2.3	33.3	0.0
Mar	32.8	0.6	36.9	1.4	31.8	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	37.0	0.8	31.0	-2.8	30.5	0.0	30.3	3.4	36.3	3.1	33.7	0.9
Apr	30.3	-8.5	33.3	-2.9	30.5	-6.4	31.3	-14.5	35.1	-3.0	27.0	-15.6	27.5	-11.6	29.7	0.3	27.5	-25.9	31.0	-9.1
May	32.0	-2.7	34.9	-3.6	31.8	-1.9	33.6	-3.4	34.0	-2.3	31.4	-0.3	30.3	-2.9	30.0	-0.3	31.9	-9.1	33.1	-1.8
Jun	32.1	-2.4	34.3	-8.0	32.5	-0.6	33.5	-5.4	34.3	-5.8	32.0	1.3	30.2	-5.6	31.0	8.0	32.7	-5.5	33.3	-2.1
Jul	29.5	-5.4	34.1	-7.6	30.6	-5.3	33.4	0.3	31.7	-8.4	13.9	-6.7	27.9	-7.6	30.4	0.0	31.4	-5.1	31.1	-4.6
Aug	28.6	-6.2	34.7	-6.7	29.5	-5.4	30.3	-4.7	30.4	-9.5	14.2	11.8	27.3	-8.7	31.2	0.6	26.0	-19.3	30.0	-5.4
Sep	31.8	-3.6	35.3	-9.7	32.0	-3.3	32.6	-0.9	33.0	-6.0	33.1	-0.6	28.8	-3.7	30.6	-2.2	29.9	-12.8	32.9	-3.5
Oct	28.7	-8.0	33.7	-7.9	29.2	-5.5	29.2	-8.5	29.3	-14.3	26.9	-7.6	26.2	-11.5	28.6	-4.7	29.5	-7.2	29.4	-9.0
Nov	31.4	-3.4	36.2	-5.2	31.8	0.3	32.7	-1.2	34.1	-2.8	31.1	-8.0	28.6	-4.7	27.6	-8.6	33.2	-0.9	32.3	-3.3
Dec	31.9	-2.1	37.0	-6.6	31.3	-3.4	35.4	6.3	36.5	2.2	30.6	-7.0	28.9	-4.3	29.0	-2.0	33.2	-4.9	32.7	-2.7
2002 Jan	32.0	-0.9	36.5	-0.5	31.5	1.6	34.7	4.5	36.4	6.1	31.8	-5.4	30.6	0.0	28.3	-3.7	32.6	-5.2	32.7	-1.8
Feb	31.8	-1.5	34.6	-5.2	31.6	0.0	36.2	9.4	35.3	-1.1	31.0	-5.2	29.6	-2.6	28.8	-4.0	34.7	1.5	32.7	-1.8
Mar	32.0	-2.4	33.8	-8.4	32.8	3.1	35.1	2.9	36.0	-2.7	31.8	2.6	31.0	1.6	28.1	-7.3	33.6	-7.4	32.9	-2.4
Apr	32.3	6.6	36.5	9.6	31.7	3.9	35.2	12.5	36.8	4.8	32.8	21.5	30.1	9.5	27.8	-6.4	36.0	30.9	33.1	6.8
May	32.3	0.9	37.2	6.6	32.6	2.5	34.8	3.6	34.3	0.9	32.2	2.5	30.4	0.3	28.3	-5.7	34.7	8.8	33.4	0.9
Jun	32.3	0.6	36.0	5.0	32.6	0.3	33.6	0.3	34.5	0.6	32.1	0.3	29.0	-4.0	29.8	-3.9	35.6	8.9	33.4	0.3
Jul	30.2	2.4	36.9	8.2	30.4	-0.7	33.0	-1.2	32.3	1.9	19.9	43.2	27.5	-1.4	28.6	-5.9	33.1	5.4	31.4	1.0
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul01	31.6		35.2		31.4		33.2		34.6		28.8		29.6		30.1		32.6		32.7	
Jan-Jul02	31.8		35.9		31.9		34.7		35.1		30.2		29.7		28.5		34.3		32.8	
% Change	0.7		1.9		1.5		4.5		1.4		5.0		0.4		-5.3		5.2		0.3	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions and comments should be directed to Linda Coldwell at (250) 356-2328 or Linda.Coldwell@gems3.gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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